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WILL CONGRESS ACCEPT OFFICES?

Welcome Response To Jinnah's Appeal

Lahore Satyagraha Suspended

BRIGHT PROSPECTS FOR PEACE MISSION

Mr. Jinnah's appeal to the leaders of the various communities in the Punjab to help him in bringing about a settlement of the Shahidgunj dispute has been promptly responded by the announcement that the Jatha movement would be suspended pending peace negotiations.

Two addresses were presented to the Independent Leader extolling his services to the community and expressing fullest confidence in his leadership. With this auspicious beginning Mr. Jinnah's mission, it may be hoped, bids fair to be a success.

LAHORE, Feb. 21.

Enthusiastic shouts of "Jinnah Zindabad" greeted Mr. Jinnah as he ascended the platform donning a 'fez' cap to address a gathering of 40,000 Muslims at Badshahi Mosque.

Addressing them as brothers, he expressed high appreciation of their decision in difference to his wishes to suspend the present 'jatha' movement whereby "you have shown, you are a disciplined people and raised the prestige of the community. I appeal to you to maintain an attitude which will not insult or wound other communities. We have called a truce and we shall behave like gentlemen. I will do all in my power for an honourable settlement for Muslims but success or failure is in the hands of God."

Mr. Jinnah explained, he felt constrained to ask them to suspend the present movement" as yet could not carry negotiation for settlement and war at the same time."

The speech was preceded by an announcement by the President for Majlis-I-Ithadimilla that the present movement would be suspended during Mr. Jinnah's peace efforts. He paid tributes to Mr. Jinnah's services to Muslims and expressed satisfaction that Mr. Jinnah would be unhampered by lack of time for negotiations.

Two addresses were presented to Mr. Jinnah expressing the fullest confidence in his leadership.—A. P.

ROUSING RECEPTION

LAHORE, Feb. 21.

A rousing reception was accorded to Mr. Jinnah who arrived here by Frontier Mail, accompanied by Mr. K. L. Gauba, for negotiation in connection with the Shahidganj settlement.

The rush was so great at the station that the authorities stopped the sale of platform tickets when over 2,000 Muslims entered the platform as the train steamed in. Mr. Jinnah was greeted with hilarious cries and profusely garlanded. The idea of taking him in a procession was abandoned according to Mr. Jinnah's own request.

Addressing a Muslim crowd on emerging from the platform Mr. Jinnah said that he had come to help them and requested them to keep patience.

A similar reception was given to him at the Amritsar railway station early this morning as Frontier Mail passed for Lahore.—United Press.

APPEAL TO LEADERS

An earnest appeal to the leaders of the different communities to help him in his peace mission was made by Mr. Jinnah in an interview to the Associated Press shortly after his arrival here this morning. "I can assure the people of Lahore and the Punjab in general that I have not come here in a partisan spirit", declared Mr. Jinnah.

Mr Jinnah is staying with Nawab Ahmadyarkhan Doultana, M.L.C., and will be meeting the Muslim leaders and the press today, and the leaders of the other communities to-morrow.

He is addressing a congregation of Muslims at the Badshahi Mosque this afternoon, after Jumma prayers, when it is hoped the present Jatha movement will be definitely suspended.

IN ROLE OF PEACE MAKER.

"My task is purely that of a conciliator and peace-maker" said Mr. Jinnah to the associated Press. "I have arrived at Lahore in the full hope that the leaders of the various communities will help me in bringing about a settlement because the general and greater interest of the Punjab, Particularly the City of Lahore will be best served by the three important communities working together and co-operating in a friendly spirit. There are much bigger issues which the Punjab will have to tackle than Shahidgunj, and it is only by unity that we can tackle the various problems that confront us and will confront us from time to time."—A. P.

BURMA'S GOVERNOR DESIGNATE

LONDON, February 21.

Commander Cochrane, the Governor-Designate of Burma, will sail from Marseilles on the "Ranpura" on April 17.—Reuter.

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HOW BATTLE WAS FORCED

Ras Mulugeta Explains Why Strategic Retreat Was Ordered

DESSIE, Feb. 21.

Ras Mulugeta has issued a communique explaining the tactics in the battle of the south of Makale.

He states he realised on February 12 that the Italians were planning a big offensive and had ordered a strategic retreat. The enemy advance guards noticed the movement and attacked immediately. Thus the battle began.

He continues: "In a series of local engagements from Feb. 12 to 17 the Ethiopian casualties were 147 dead and 268 wounded. The enemy losses were greatly superior."

Ras Mulugeta claims that on the night of February 16 1,500 Eritreans deserted and joined him with arms and munitions.

RAINS IN HARAR.

A Harar cable states:—Heavy and continuous rains are falling in Harar and Ogaden.—Reuter.

"SKILFUL RETREAT"

ADDIS ABABA, Feb. 21.

Ras Mulugeta's communique is hailed with great relief. It is pointed out that it is impossible for the Ethiopian Government to report the results of battles quickly owing to poor communications.

The opinion is now expressed that Ras Mulugeta conducted a skilful retreat in the face of vastly superior numbers.

The news that Ras Kassa communicated freely with Ras Mulugeta and with Dessie is regarded as proving the falsity of the assertion that the Italian advance has cut off the Tembien forces.—Reuter.

BR. FOREIGN AFFAIRS

Adjournment Of House To Be Moved On Monday

RUGBY, Feb. 20.

The Prime Minister, Mr. Stanley Baldwin, announced in the House of Commons at question time that the adjournment of the House would be moved on Monday for the discuss.on of foreign affairs. Following the debate, which, it is hoped will finish by 9-30 p.m., supplementary estimates for the Navy, Army and Air Force would be considered.

STERLING CREDIT TO FRANCE.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, was questioned in the House of Commons regarding the sterling credit to France. He replied that the French Government had recently informed him of their desire to raise banking credit in London. The House would recollect that in 1931, owing to the good offices of the French Government, His Majesty's Government obtained large banking credit in Paris, and on the present occasion as on the occasion of a similar operation in 1935 he was glad to be able to perform a similar service and convey to the French Government his consent to their proposed borrowings. The credit was for a total of £40,000,000 for a period not exceeding nine months. The Chancellor added that when he gave his consent to the operation, he naturally had in mind the position of the exchanges and satisfied himself that proper technical arrangements had been made between the Central Banks.

OF WAR DEBTS.

Answering a member who enquired about the outstanding indebtedness of France to Great Britain, Mr. Chamberlain said that the last payment received from France in respect of the war debts was made in June 1931, and since that date payments had been suspended in accordance with the arrangements made at the Lausanne Conference.

ADVANCE TO WORKERS

As a result of the negotiations between shipbuilding employers and trade unions, adult shipyard workers will receive in April an advance of two shillings per week or four per cent in the case of piece workers. The agreement is for a period of nine months.—B.O.W.

C. P. BOARD PRACTICALLY DECIDES IT

NEW DELHI, Feb. 21.

The "United Press" reliably understands that the Congress Parliamentary Board at its recent meeting practically decided upon acceptance of office.

If the Board did not pass a formal resolution to that effect, it was because the members of the Board had a mind to take the opportunity of the presence of Mahatma Gandhi and Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru next month at Delhi, to arrive at some decision regarding the form for joint action both in regard to the communal issue and office acceptance under the Reforms.—United Press.

Football Sensation

League's Decision To Cancel All Fixtures After Week-End

BETTING POOLS, A MENACE TO GAME

(SPECIAL CABLE.)

LONDON, Feb. 21.

In order to circumvent betting pools, The Football League, according to an unofficial statement, has decided on the sensational step of cancelling all fixtures after this weak-end and for the remainder of the season only announcing them two days before the matches are due to be played.

Saturday's fixures will be circulated on Thursday evening. Although the League declined to confirm or deny the report, it is assumed to be correct.

An official statement will probably be issued in a few days. The Scottish matches will not be affected. Mr. W. Macandrew, Secretary of the Scottish League, said they did not think it was worth the trouble. It was unlikely the Scottish League would take immediate action but may in the next season. The Football League think that betting pools are a menace to the game.

ITALY'S FURTHER ADVANCE

(SPECIAL CABLE).

ROME, Feb. 21.

Further small Italian advance on the Northern Front to Aderat, south Buia was recorded by Marshal Badoglio.

Aderat, 22 miles south of Makale and 15 from Ambaalagi is supposed to be their present objective.

"IMPROPERLY OBTAINED"

Eden To Make Statement On Maffey Document

PARIS, Feb. 21.

Private enquiries it is understood have established the fact that the secret Maffey document published in Italy was improperly obtained. Capt. Eden will make a statement in the House of Commons on February 24, and Government may decided to publish the document.—Reuter.

JAWAHARLAL FOR INDIA

Will Leave Lausanne At End Of Month On Dutch Liner

Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru is leaving for India at the end of the month on a Dutch liner *via* Marseilles. His wife is recovering.—Reuter.

KAMALA NEHRU'S PROGRESS SLOW

(From Our Correspondent.)

ALLAHABAD, Feb. 21.

The latest information received here from Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru indicates that Mrs. Kamala Nehru is progressing though very slowly.

If this continues Pandit Jawaharlal will be starting for India by air reaching Allahabad as originally arranged sometime in the first week of March when it is likely he will immediately get into touch with Congress leaders in order to enable himself to complete his presidential address after reviewing the Indian situation.

SARRAUT ANSWERS RIGHTIST CRITICS

PARIS, Feb. 21.

M. Sarraut challenged and obtained a vote of confidence from the Chamber at the conclusion of a stormy debate when he expressed inability immediately to furnish information demanded by Right party regarding the Communist attack on the Action Francaise headquarters.

Another deputy alleged that the Government suppressed Royalist leagues and yet authorised illegal demonstrations by "Front Populaire."

M. Sarraut replied that the demonstration was authorised owing to the recent attack on M. Blum which was the outcome of a prolonged violent press campaign by 'Action Francaise.'—Reuter's Special.

ATTACK ON RAILWAY DEMANDS

(From Our Correspondent.)

NEW DELHI, Feb. 21.

Congress, Independent and Nationalist spokesmen held a Conference to-day to decide the procedure in handling the Railway Demands for grants.

They agreed to follow the past year's practice and all the various sections in the House allotted time to raise debates on chosen subjects. The question as to whether lump cuts should be moved on grounds of economy is also being considered.

Final decision will be reached to-morrow.

KING TO BROADCAST ON MARCH 1

LONDON, Feb. 21.

The King will broadcast to the Empire at 4 p.m. on March 1.

The first steps were taken in connection with the new coinage bearing the King's effigy when His Majesty received the Deputy Master of the Mint at the Buckingham Palace and inspected a plaster cast of his head. The cast is likely to be used for medals as well as coins.—Reuter's Special.

"Strathmore" Repairs

LONDON, February 21.

The P. & O. expect that the repairs to the "Strathmore" will permit her continuing her voyage on Sunday morning. Owners and Builders' experts are flying to Gibraltar where the repairs are being carried out in the Government dockyard.—Reuter.

Jail Delivery In Spain?

10,000 Politicals To Be Released On Sunday

MEASURE TO BE RUSHED THROUGH CORTES

MADRID, Feb. 21.

Steps to legalise the granting of an amnesty to political prisoners are likely to be rushed through the Cortes to-morrow and 10,000 will be released on Sunday.

Prisoners at Oviedo gaols have already been liberated on orders from Madrid, the only irregularity being 200 ordinary prisoners who were intended to stay in prison being released along with over 500 politicals.—Reuter.

MADRID: Feb. 21.

Though the country appears to be settling down generally, the Leftists' jubilation at the result of the elections has led to excesses in a number of districts.

Martial law has been proclaimed at Murcia and Alicante following the outbreak of violence, in which the headquarters of the Catholic Party and offices of the Catholic newspapers were sacked, and a convent was set fire to.

Twelve were wounded when the Police fired on Socialist and Communist demonstrators at Barcelona.—Reuter.

THREE POINTS IN AZANA'S PROGRAMME

Three points figure in Senor Azana's programme, apart from the amnesty to political prisoners, namely, Home Rule for Catalonia, minimum wage for peasant and the return to small-holders of estates, which last year were restored to Grandees from whom they had been confiscated in 1931.—Reuter.

GREAT ENTHUSIASM IN SPAIN

Great enthusiasm prevails throughout Spain over the new Prime Minister Azana's promise that amnesty of 30,000 political prisoners or exiles concerned in the abortive revolt of 1934 will be the first task of Parliament when it opens on March 16.—Reuter.

Assam Mail Disaster

Two Employees Killed And Four Injured Seriously

MIRPUR, Feb. 21.

The Divisional Superintendent, Broad Gauge, E. B. Railway, wires:—

At about 16/2 hours on 20th inst., 3 Up Assam Mail passing through Mirpur station at a moderate speed after having been stopped at the outer signal took two roads at the facing points near south end of the platform.

The engine entered the loop line and the first vehicle, a bogie luggage van, derailed and turning askew fouled the down line on which the 14 Down Passengers had just started, after halt. Two coaches of the 14 Down were moderately damaged by the impact. There was no injury to any passenger of these trains.

BOGIE TELESCOPED

The second vehicle of the Assam Mail, namely a combined brake van and third class bogie, telescoped into the first vehicle and the front brake compartment of the second vehicle was smashed. A number of Railway employees were travelling in this compartment of whom one carriage department menial was killed outright and another died subsequently. Four others, two trolley men, one gangman and one Carriage Department menial, were injured. Of the two trolley men one was seriously injured. All the injured men were sent to Paksey hospital. No public passenger was killed or injured. Both the Up and Down lines were blocked.

The passenger luggage of the 3 Up Mail and the 21 Up Passenger which followed the Mail as well as the postal mails of the Assam Mail were transhipped into the 14 Down composition and sent onward.

Passengers and luggage of the 14 Down were transhipped into 21 Up Composition train and sent onward.

Through communication by the Down Line was restored at 22-30 and the 11 Up Passenger passed through at 23/38 hours.

Single line working is in force between Poradaha and Bhairamara. Normal double line working is expected to be restored by 2 hours.

The cause of the accident is under investigation".

Extension Of Br. Milk Act Provisions

RUGBY, Feb. 21.

The House of Commons late last night carried by 201 votes to 121 the second reading of Government's Bill extending temporarily the provisions of the Milk Act of 1934 which gave a subsidy in respect of milk sold or used for manufacture and also of the efforts to increase the demand for milk including milk in the school scheme.

The proposals are estimated to cost two and a half million pounds in one case and a sum not exceeding half a million pounds in the other—B.O.W.

WORKING WITH JEWS

MUNICH, Feb. 21.

The first English-speaking citizen to be condemned of high treason by Nazi Germany is a naturalised American, Charles Nisselbeck, who has been sentenced to two years' imprisonment.

The prosecution accused him of using "dangerous methods of working with Jews, enemies of the State".

Nisselbeck has spent nine months in prison awaiting trial, which will be deducted from his sentence.—Reuter.

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Wanted Influential Ladies and Gentlemen to work as Organisers for a leading life insurance Co. Apply Box No. 5646, "Bombay Chronicle."

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NOTICE.

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HEMCHAND R. MEHTA,
Executive Engineer.
Bhavnagar Para.
Dated 18-2-1936.
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THE CITY BANK LIMITED.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the NINTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders of the City Bank Ltd., will be held at the Registered Office of the Bank at Trivandrum at 2-30 p.m. on Saturday the 29th February 1936 to transact the following business:—

(1) To receive and consider the Directors' report and the audited accounts of the Bank for the year ended 31st December 1935.
(2) To declare a dividend.
(2) To elect two Directors in the places of Messrs. S. T. Veeraraghavacharier and K. G. George who retire by rotation. (They are eligible for re-election).
(4) To appoint one or more Auditor or Auditors for the current year and fix his or their remuneration.
(5) Any other business that may be brought forward by the Chairman.

By order of the Board.
K. M. MATHULLA,
Managing Director.
Trivandrum, 8th Feb. '36.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Bank will be CLOSED from 15th to 29th February, 1936.
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Public Notices

THE BOMBAY ELECTRIC SUPPLY AND TRAMWAYS CO., LTD.
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Temporary Receipt No. 34867 in respect of 5 Ordinary Shares Nos. 99338 to 99342 of the Bombay Electric Supply and Tramways Co., Ltd., standing in the names of Bai Shirinbai Sorabji Dalal and Bai Dhunmai Sorabji Dalal have been LOST, MISLAID, or DESTROYED.

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Dated, 22|2|1936.
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LECTURE ON HINDU JAVANESE ART.

by Dr. A. J. BERNET KEMPERS.

Under the auspices of the University of Bombay, Dr. A. J. Bernet Kempers of the University of Leyden, Holland, will deliver a lecture on "Hindu-Javanese Art" on Monday, the 24th February, 1936, at 6-30 p.m., in the University Convocation Hall. The lecture will be illustrated by lantern slides.

Mr. V. N. Chandavarkar, B.A. (Cantab), Bar-at-Law, Vice-Chancellor of the University, will preside.

S. R. DONGERKERY,
Registrar,
University of Bombay.
Bombay, 19th February, 1936.
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NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the power of Attorney given on 10th May, 1932, by the undersigned Kishan Prasad and Co., Ltd., having its Registered Office at Ambala City in Punjab and branches at Karachi and Bombay, to Laiq Ram Soparn, Son of Ganda Ram has been revoked as and from 23rd January, 1936, and that the said Laiq Ram Soparn son of Ganda Ram is no longer in our service. Any person dealing with him in any capacity will do so at his own risk and the undersigned will not be bound by any such act or acts of his.

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GHATKOPAR KIROL MUNICIPALITY.

NOTICE.

The Lighting Contract of this Municipality with the Bombay Suburban Electric Supply, Ltd., Bandra, expires on 31st December, 1936, and the Municipality is desirous of giving a contract for a term of about 7 years for lighting the street electrically.

Proposals are, therefore, invited from the Companies or persons willing to undertake the work. Particulars may be obtained from the Municipal Office during office hours on working days.

(Sd.) C. J. HANSOTI,
President,
Ghatkopar-Kirol Municipality.
Municipal Office,
Ghatkopar.
2691.

BOMBAY MUNICIPALITY.

PUBLIC NOTICE.

"HOLI" FESTIVAL.

THE PUBLIC ARE HEREBY WARNED that no holes should be dug in any Street in connection with "HOLI" Festival, without the written permission of the undersigned, as provided in Section 322 of the City of Bombay Municipal Act.

No holes will be allowed in Streets traversed by tramways or treated with a permanent mode of construction such as sheet asphalt or set-stones or concrete. Permission for digging holes in water-bound roads or roads surface dressed with bitumen, tar macadam, etc. will be granted, free of charge, for a period not exceeding six days (i.e. for the full-moon day and the following five days) on application to the City Engineer not later than the 4th March 1936, on receipt of an undertaking that the holes so made will be satisfactorily filled in immediately after the festival.

(Sd.) I. H. TAUNTON,
Municipal Commissioner for the City of Bombay.
Municipal Offices,
Bombay, 17th February, 1936.
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W. A. NIVEN,
Hydraulic Engineer.
Bombay, 20-2-36.
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BOMBAY MUNICIPALITY

NOTICE.

Sale of Municipal plot of land admeasuring 9,140 square yards, between G.I.P. Railway Lines and the Northern approach of the Byculla Bridge known as Cold Mohur Castle Property for being used for building sites.

A PUBLIC AUCTION for the outright sale of the above valuable plot will be held by the undersigned in the Municipal Office at 3 p.m. (S.T.) on TUESDAY, the 10th March, 1936.

Copies of full particulars of auction and application form containing conditions of sale and site plan, etc., will be supplied on application to the undersigned on payment of annas eight during office hours.

(Sd.) H. M. ABHYANKAR,
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1.—To adopt the Directors' Report, the Audited Balance Sheet and Profit and Loss Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1935.
2.—To sanction the declaration of a dividend.
3.—To confirm the election of Mr. G. L. Winterbotham as a director, who is eligible and offers himself for re-election under Article 78 of the Articles of Association.
4.—To confirm the election of Mr. P. T. Harrison as a director, who is eligible and offers himself for re-election under Article 78 of the Articles of Association.
5.—To appoint a director in place of Sir N. B. Saklatvala, Kt., C. I. E., who retires from Office, but is eligible and offers himself for re-election.
6.—To appoint a director in place of Mr. Bomanjee Aderjee, who retires from Office, but is eligible and offers himself for re-election.
7.—To appoint auditors for the current year and to fix their remuneration.
8.—To transact such other business as may be brought forward by the Directors.

By order of the Board.
NOWROSJEE WADIA & SONS,
Agents.
The Bombay Dyeing & Mfg., Co., Ltd.

NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that the TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 2nd March to 12th March 1936 both days inclusive.

Bombay, 20th February, 1936.
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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY.

ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION

Suit No. 95 of 1935.

Messrs GOBHAI KARANJIA, LTD. .. Plaintiffs.
vs.
Messrs ESMAIL VIRJI & CO. .... Defendants.

Let all parties concerned attend the Prothonotary and Senior Master in Chamber High Court, Bombay on FRIDAY, the 28th instant at 12 o'clock, forenoon, (S.T.) on the hearing of an application for an Order that leave may be granted to the Plaintiffs to execute the Decree herein dated 27th March, 1935, against (1) Esmail Virji, (2) Karmali Virji, (3) Peermahomed Virji three of the partners in the above Defendant firm and for costs.

Dated 29th January, 1936.
Prothonotary and Senior Master's Office,
High Court, Bombay.
Registered.
This 29th day of January, 1936.
(Sd.) R. S. RAJE,
MERWANJI KOLA & CO.,
Plaintiff's Attorneys.
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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY.

ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION.

Suit No. 2534 of 1928.

HIRJIBHOY HORMUSJI WADIA and Another. ..... Plaintiffs.
vs.
KALIANJI VARDHMAN and others ..... Defendants.

PURSUANT to Decree Absolute for Sale, dated 28th November, 1933, and Judge's Order, dated 6th August, 1934, the following immovable properties will be sold by Public Auction in five Lots by the Commissioner of this Honourable Court at his Office in the Court House on MONDAY, 24th February, 1936, at 3 P.M. (S.T.)

LOT NO. 1.

Property situated on the Elphinstone Estate, admeasuring 472 square yards or thereabouts and bearing Cadastral Survey No. 93 (Princess Dock Division) and Municipal B Ward No. 4870 (2), Street Nos. 46-88-90-93.

LOT NO. II.

Property situated on the Elphinstone Estate, admeasuring 492-2/9 square yards or thereabouts and bearing Cadastral Survey No. 1/93 (Princess Dock Division) and Municipal B Ward No. 4870 (1) Street Nos. 92-94, 9-11.

LOT. NO. III.

Property situated on the Elphinstone Estate, admeasuring 444-1/9 square yards or thereabouts and bearing Cadastral Survey No. 2/93 (Princess Dock Division) and Municipal B Ward No. 4869, Street Nos. 96-100, 13-15.

LOT NO. IV.

Properties, consisting of nine pieces in the Khoti Village of Bhandup Sub-District of Bandra bearing Khoti tenure and admeasuring about 1 3/4 of a pand, 3/4 of a Bigha, 4 1/4 pand, 3 1/4 of a pand, 6 Gunthas equivalent to 827 square yards, 4 1/4 of a pand and 4 1/4 Kathias equivalent to 1785-7/9 square yards, 4103 square yards, 7573 square yards and 185 square yards respectively.

LOT NO V.

Property, admeasuring about 19 Acres 33 Gunthas, 278 square yards, situate at Bhandup, Sub-District of Bandra being a part of Bhandup Estate.

For further particulars and conditions of Sale, application should be made at the Office of the said Commissioner or at the Office of Messrs. Captain and Vaidya, Attorneys for the Plaintiffs abovenamed at No. 121 Esplanade Road, Fort, Bombay.

Dated this 6th day of January, 1936.
(Sd.) G. R. KHAIRAZ.
Offg. Commissioner.
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NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that K. M. TALYARKHAN, Esquire, Bar.-at-Law, the Court Receiver, High Court, Bombay, a Receiver appointed in suit No. 1162 of 1927, has contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our client.

THAT any person or persons having any claim, right, title and interest in or to the said property by way of sale, mortgage, charge, trust, lien, possession, gift, inheritance, lease or otherwise howsoever is hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office at 36 Tamarind Lane, Tamarind House, Fort, Bombay, and to the Assessor and Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without any regard to any such claim and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

Description Of The Property

ALL that piece or parcel or Quit and ground rent land or ground with the messuage tenement or dwelling house standing thereon situate, lying and being at Duncan Road, in the City and Registration sub-District of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 171 square yards or thereabouts and registered in the books of the Collector of Land Revenue under Collector's last Rent Roll No. 7659 Collector's Rent Roll No. 2816, Laughton's Survey No. 2|4300, Cadastral Survey No. 4102 of Bhuleshwar Division and assessed by the Assessor and Collector of Municipal rates and Taxes under "C" Ward No. 7364, Old Street Nos. 241-243 and New Street Nos. 363-365 and bounded, on the North by the house of Parsi Andhiaroo, on the South by the house of Badruddin Coor, on the East by sweepers passage and on the West by Duncan Road.

Bombay, dated this 12th day of February, 1936.

GHULAMALI NOORANI & CO.,
Purchaser's Attorneys.
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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY.

ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION.

Suit No. 721 of 1934.

VENILAL MAGANLAL and Ors. ..... Plaintiffs.
Vs.
DAHYABHAI TAPIDAS and Ors. ..... Defendants.

PURSUANT TO DECREE, dated 25th September, 1935, the following immovable property will be sold by Public Auction by the Commissioner of this Honourable Court at his Office in the Court House on THURSDAY, 27th February, 1936, at 3 P.M. (S.T.)

ALL that piece of pension and tax land together with the dwelling house standing thereon situate at Kalbadevi Road, containing by admeasurement 170 square yards or thereabouts and bearing Cadastral Survey No. 1558 of Bhuleshwar Division and assessed by the Municipality under C Ward No. 486, Street Nos. 239-243.

For further particulars and conditions of Sale, application should be made at the Office of the said Commissioner or at the Office of Messrs. Thakoredas and Co. Attorneys for the Plaintiffs abovenamed at No. 38, Nanabhai Lane, Fort, Bombay.

Dated this 10th day of January, 1936.
G. R. KHAIRAZ,
Offg. Commissioner.
2611.

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY.

ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION.

Suit No. 2122 of 1930.

KAMLABAI KESHAVDEV RAMGOPAL ..... Plaintiff.
vs.
RANGNATH KHEMRAJ & Others ..... Defendants.

PURSUANT to the Decree and Order of Reference of the High Court of Judicature at Bombay made in the above suit and bearing date the 25th day of November, 1935, Notice is hereby given that all persons claiming debts or liabilities affecting the estate of Bai PARVATIBAI, wife of Khemraj Shrikissondas, deceased, who died at Bombay, on or about the 3rd day of October, 1918, are hereby required to file Affidavit such claims in writing in the English language in my Office within one calendar month from the date hereof and the said claimants are required to specify their names and addresses, the full particulars of their claims and statement of their accounts and the nature of the securities if any held by them or in default thereof they will be peremptorily excluded from the benefits of the said order. Each affidavit of claim must be accompanied by a Court-fee Stamp of Rupees two for filing the same.

Dated this 17th day of February, 1936.
(Sd.) E. G. KHAIRAZ,
Offg. Commissioner.
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NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY given that Mr. TRICUMDAS MULJI and Bai JADAVBAI, wife of the said Tricumdas Mulji have contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our clients. Any person having any claim or interest in or to the said property by way of sale, mortgage, trust, lien, possession, gift, inheritance, lease or otherwise howsoever is hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office at Jehangir Wadia Building, Esplanade Road, Fort, Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without any regard to any such claim and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

Description Of The Property

ALL that piece or parcel of perpetual Fazandari land or ground, situate at Old Hanuman Cross Lane, alias Lalwadi in Bombay in the Registration Sub-district of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 245 square yards or thereabouts and registered in the books of the Collector of Land Revenue under Old Nos. 542, and 257, New Nos. 1822 and 2682, Old Survey No. 46-42 and New Survey No. Part of 1663 together with the dwelling house and all buildings standing thereon and bounded on or towards the East by the property of Keshavlal Vallabhji, on or towards the West by the property of Vrijlal Jethabhai on or towards the North by the property of Pranjivan Vasanji and on or towards the South by a passage and which premises are assessed by the Municipality of Bombay under C Ward Nos. 1513 and 1514 and Street Nos. 1, 3, 5 and 7.

Dated this 21st day of February, 1936.
MULLA & MULLA
Purchasers' Attorneys.
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FILM FARE FOR THE WEEK

"The Great Impersonation" At Regal—"Vintage Wine" At Excelsior—"Shipmates For Ever" At Opera—"So Red The Rose" At Pathe—"A Night At Opera" At Central—A "Crazy" Show At Capitol

"The Great Impersonation" at the Regal from this Saturday.

CINEMA STAR
Who Almost Became A Farmer

Because Robert Taylor wrongly addressed a letter, the State of Nebraska has one less farmer—and Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer has one more fine actor in its brilliant array of screen talent.

When Taylor had been at the studio for a month, he became discouraged. Executives, carefully grooming him for leading roles, had not let him face the cameras except for tests.

Finally, Taylor, as he himself confesses, decided to "chuck" the whole business and return to his home state, Nebraska, and take up farming one of his former college pals. On a Saturday, he sent a letter to his friend stating his wish.

Three days after he had mailed the letter, it came back, bearing the word that the adressee had moved and left no forwarding address. And was Taylor disappointed!

But only for a few hours, for the very next day he was given the leading role in buried loot, a "Crime Doesn't Pa'y' short subject.

After that role in the "short," the studio executives knew that their pupil was ready for the career they had planned and so, to use a slang expression, "he went to town." "Society Doctor," "West Point of the Air," "A Wicked Woman," "Times Square Lady," "Murder in the Fleet," and "Broadway Melody of 1936" proved to the world that this young actor was a "find."

And so, instead of driving a team of horses drawing a plough, Robert Taylor is well on the road to stardom.

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"Twentieth Century."

William Powell and Myrna Loy walking the dog in "The Thin Man."

The launching scene in "The Admiral," when Buster Keaton stands gravely on the bridge of a ship which slips gently down the ways and straight on out of sight under the water.

"COUNT OF MONTE CRISTO"

Alexander Dumas' famous literary classic and thriller "Count of Monte Cristo" comes to the screen of the Plaza Talkies (Dadar) from to-day.

Robert Donat whose work in this film was considered worthy of the highest award that the American film industry can offer gives a splendid performance as the French count whose estates are usurped by an unscrupulous and wily rival who aspires both to the Count's fortune and to the hand of his lady love. How the brave Count avenges the injustice is told in thrilling sequences which, in popular appeal and spectacular effect, have hardly been equalled by anything seen on the screen. The lovely Elissa Landi provides the love interest in a portrayal which is remarkable for charm and emotional reaction.

The picture has proved one of the best hits of the year and is one which can be enjoyed with fresh interest over and over again.

ROMANTIC SPECTACLE
At Pathe

"So Red the Rose," Paramount's stirring adaptation of Stark Young's novel of the same name opens to-day at the Pathe Theatre. Margaret Sullavan is the star, and the supporting cast includes such well known names as Walter Connolly, Randolph Scott, Janet Beecher, Elizabeth Patterson, Harry Ellerbe, and the child actor, Dickie Moore.

"So Red the Rose" is a story of the South, a romantic and more poignant account of those turbulent days of the War between the States. More than that, it reveals the ideals and hopes and bravery of a gentle Southern family when the clarion call of strife made men and women array themselves on the side of duty, sure of the righteousness of their cause.

It is the story of a young girl's love for a man, a man who hesitates to answer the fighting call of his people, and who, in his efforts to do what he believes is right, is even willing to sacrifice love on the altar of his beliefs.

Margaret Sullavan is the girl, Vallette, a pretty vivacious belle of the South. It is a role delicately in tune with Miss Sullavan subtle gifts as an actress and she brings to her portrayal the artistry that stage and screen.

The boy, Duncan, is portrayed by Randolph Scott, a handsome and talented actor who in "So Red the Rose" forsakes his "western" characterizations which have won him fame and proves his versatility as an actor.

Walter Connolly, one of the foremost character actors of our day, is splendid as Vallette's father, and Janet Beecher, Harry Ellerbe and Elizabeth Patterson (in one of her biting roles) do well in parts that give background and authenticity to the story.

The direction of King Vidor ranks high among his many works remembered by picture audiences. For "So Red the Rose" gives forth the full flavour of Stark Young's romantic novel, capturing completely the spirit, movement and feeling that made "So Red the Rose" one of the year's most important contributions to American fiction.

"So Red The Rose" at the Pathe this week. Walter Connolly, Randolph Scott, Elizabeth Patterson.

"A NIGHT AT THE OPERA"
At The Central

Something entirely new in the history of film making was devised by the famed Marx Brothers, Groucho, Chico and Harpo, when preparations were begun at the Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer studios for the filming of "A Night at the Opera," which, now completed, brings the world-famed laugh-makers to the Central screen starting this evening in what is reported to be the funniest motion picture ever made, bar none.

The new and revolutionary idea was a plan by which "A Night at the Opera" was previewed, "cut," and gauged for laughs before a single scene of the picture went before the cameras. For in order to test the volubility of their original humorous situations the unique Marx Brothers first tested them on visual audiences. This was done by taking the play intact with principals and all on a legitimate stage tour.

FELT AUDIENCE PULSE.

As the scenes were being tested in front of the theatre audiences, Morrie Ryskind, who together with George S. Kaufman wrote the screen play, felt the pulse of the audience from the wings, passing or rejecting a scene for the picture depending on the reception given the scene or gag by the audience in front of the footlights. By the time the company was ready to begin work before the cameras they were certain that every episode and line to be used was a sure laugh-getter!

In "A Night at the Opera" Groucho, Chico and Harpo, are seen as managers for a pair of songbirds whose operatic career they are trying to further. Before they are finished with their innocent blunders, insane impulses and madcap antics the careers of the respective artists are practically ruined, but it all turns out well in the end after a terrific scene in which the Marx Brothers save an audience from panic at a theatre.

Kitty Carlisle, heroine of a number of Bing Crosby musical films, and Allan Jones, who made his screen debut with Jean Harlow in "Reckless," are the songbirds in the picture, and the cast of featured players also comprises Walter King, Siegfried Rumann, Margaret Dumont, Edward Keane and Robert Emmet O'Connor. The picture was filmed by the ace comedy director, Sam Wood.

A "CRAZY" SHOW
At The Capitol

The answer is at the Capitol and it's an answer to the people's prayer for bigger and better entertainment. Prof. Doorlay, that man of a thousand ideas, has really brought us something unique in the line of first class variety.

His show at the Capitol is fascinating, invigorating, stimulating and every other 'ating' one can think of.

Versay, that excellent comedian, is really a find, a born humourist.....every gesture of his evokes a laugh from the grimmest audience. As for the Chinese juggling acrobatics, there is a new little fellow about three and a half feet high who literally does incredible feats with his tiny hands and body. Here is a toddler who is capable of making circles round, the best man in this line.

If you are not interested in the dreamy love songs of Spain.....in the enchanting snap-snap of the castanets or in the dances of every conceivable nation, you can always sit back in comfort and gaze contentedly on swaying masses of feminine pulchritude.

Forget your date at the flicks .....and the evening appointment with the mother-in-law.....The Tropical Express is worth all that and more. Here is a show that happens along once in a very long while and to let this band of beautiful entertainers leave our shores without gazing at their charming entertainment would indeed be unforgivable.

The Marx Brothers in "A Night at the Opera"

Ruby Keeler, the Warner star is here at home, against a background which reveals refinement and taste. The "Oriental" mode on the hearth is noteworthy.

"VINTAGE WINE" PROVIDES
Merry Entertainment At The Excelsior

"Vintage Wine" is merry entertainment now screened at the Excelsior. It tells the story of a philanderer who reckoned without the wrath of his family descending upon his head. Charles Popinot (Sir Seymour Hicks) was the son of Josephine Popinot, active as well as titular head of a wine producing house in France. He was a philanderer from instinct, but when over sixty fell so madly in love with Nina (Claire Luce), a beautiful blonde, that representing himself to be a widower of forty-two he induced the girl to marry him. A son was her gift, and to maintain his household in state he drew large sums of money from the wine business, whereat his two sons became alarmed and Josephine summoned a family conference to clear up the mystery. Had the domineering old lady (Eva Moore) been aware of the real facts she would quite probably have laughed over the complexity. But she hated a mystery and as Charles could not reveal the truth at the conference she issued an ultimatum that he was to cease philandering and settle down at home with his sons. Naturally Charles flatly refused to do anything of the kind, realising, too, that the situation was complicated by the fact that Nina, his trusting wife in Rome, believed that the sons of whom he often spoke were schoolboys. Quite the contrary, they were bald and bearded, and both fathers. Charles bolted to Rome and the family, together with a legally appointed guardian for the philanderer, followed.

TANGLED SITUATIONS.

The tangled situations become more twisted still when Nina so grossly deceived by her husband swore that she would never forgive. Never, Never! Clever old Josephine cut a path through the thicket and all was well. This light hearted story is brightly played. Seymour Hicks is as irrepressible and inconsequential as ever; Eva Moore gives a compelling characterisation of old Josephine; the Nina of Claire Luce is a winsome personality, and Judy Gunn is very effective in her fine scene with Josephine. This diverting comedy is first class entertainment.

DIRECTOR PICKS COMEDY SCENES
That Made Movie History

Running out of detective stories and cross word puzzles in the hospital where he had lain for weeks with Malta fever, Leo McCarey director of Harold Lloyd's "The Milky Way", amused himself by compiling a list of "the ten most memorable comedy scenes of movie history."

See how many you recall:

Chaplin trying to keep the cabin from tumbling over the cliff in "The Gold Rush."

Harold Lloyd climbing skyscraper in "Safety Last."

W. C. Fields fighting against odds to get some sleep in that long back porch sequence of "It's A Great Life."

Laurel and Hardy doing the pie-throwing in "The Battle of a Century."

Wheeler and Woolsey getting drunk together in the wine cellar scene of "Rio Rita."

The stateroom scene in the Marx Brothers' picture "A Night at the Opera."

Charles Laughton giving Charlie Ruggles' annoying relative a boot in the rear in "Ruggles of Red Gap."

Carole Lombard and John Barrymore rehearsing the play in

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"Shipmates for Ever" at the Opera House this week. Dick Powell and Ruby Keeler

"SHIPMATES FOR EVER"
At The Royal Opera House

"Shipmates Forever" Dick Powell and Ruby Keeler once again united in "Shipmates Forever," a colourful romance with a naval background, which is being screened at the Royal Opera House.

The story, written by Delmar Daves, abounds with catchy songs, one a rousing march air "Don't Give Up The Ship" that bids fair to become one of the most popular hits of the season. Dick also sings many other rollicking songs, among which is the famous ballad "Abdul Abulbul Amir."

Ruby Keeler is well-known for her dancing and in "Shipmates Forever she introduces a new and original dance. "The Shipmates Hop."

The cast also includes Lewis Stone, who needs no introduction to film fans. He gives a very fine performance as an Admiral and Commandant at Annapolis, the U. S. Naval Training Centre.

"Shipmates Forever" is a worthy successor to "Flirtation Walk," and should not be missed by those who like this type of film.

"THE GREAT IMPERSONATION"
At The Regal

A dramatic mystery with qualities of humour and terror, "The Great Impersonation" opens to-day at the Regal. Edmund Lowe gives two of the most effective performances of his four-star-studded career—for he plays both the English Everard Dominey and the German Leopold vol Ragenstein. When one man impersonates the other for purposes of gathring information about war plans, complications follow swiftly and amusingly. Not the least of the complications involves the heart of Mrs. Dominey. The role of Mrs. Dominey is played with shadings that bring out fully the pathos of her predicament by Valerie Hobson. The forces which lead the girl deeper and deeper into a mental mire are dramatised with vividness which enables the audience to appreciate fully why her mind loses its stability. Wera Engels is splendid too as the seductive Princess. Henry Mollison wins many laughs with his portrayal of the rich Englishman who is determined he will learn how to ride a horse. As Eddie Pelham, he practises on all the furniture in the spooky castle which is the background of many scenes. An equally admirable performance is given by Lumsden Hare as Duke Henry, the droll Englishman who finds everything "amazing". All of those story factors, which might have been confusing for an average director, have been woven into one compact plot by Director Alan Crosland

"We are all Crazy" Prof. Doorlay's non-stop items at the Capitol

Social Service League Celebrates Silver Jubilee

Variety Entertainment At Opera House Will Be Prominent Among Functions In March

Of the many Social Service institutions in Bombay, the Social Service League is amongst the foremost, not only because of the wide range of its activities, but because of the place which the work of the League has won in the estimation of the public generally.

The Social work of the League on behalf of women, and on behalf of depressed and labouring classes is well known. In times of distress, caused by floods, famine, or fire, the League has ever been ready to give its whole-hearted assistance in the work of relief and reconstruction.

The high standard of work at its industrial schools for poor and middle class women, has enabled many of those women to become more self-sufficient in their own homes, or to supplement their husband's income by their own handicrafts. The League's dispensary has been used by thousands in the crowded mill area of Parel. Its work for mill-labourers in the form of technical training, recreation, dramatic performances and Co-operative Credit Societies has been much valued, as also its educational work through night schools, libraries, lectures and publications.

Influence Extended

Since the League's inception in 1911, citizens of the calibre of Sir N. G. Chandavarkar, Divan Bahadur K. M. Jhaveri, Mr. K. Natarajan, Diwan Bahadur A. K. Pai, Mr. S. A. Brelvi, Mrs. K. Shuffi Tyabji, Rao Bahadur R. S. Asavale, Prof. M. J. Antia, Mr. R. R. Bakhale, Mr. Syed Munawar, Mr. N. M. Joshi, Mr. G. K. Devadhar, Dr. B. N. Bhajekar, Prof. M. M. Gidwani, Prof. R. M. Joshi, Rev. R. M. Gray, Mr. V. N. Chandavarkar, Seth Kanji Dwarkadas, Mr. H. W. Bryant, Sir Lalubhai Samaldas, Mr. Husseinally M. Rahimtula, Rao Bahadur S. K. Bole, Dr. S. P. Mehta, Mr. B. N. Motivala, Mr. Jamnadas Dwarkadas, Mr. A. V. Thakkar, Khan Bahadur Dr. J. K. Daji, Mr. W. A. Wadia, Mr. Gokuldas K. Parekh and many others, have served on its Management Committee.

The League's work has been carried out by Life-workers, together with other paid or voluntary assistants. From time to time, the services of the League's Life-workers have been requisitioned by other important institutions, and the extent of the League's influence has thus been widened in a very practical way.

The year 1936 completes twenty-five years of the League's useful work. During the celebration of the Silver Jubilee from 19th to 25th March a number of functions have been arranged in which members and supporters of the League, and also those for whose benefit the League exists, can take part.

Variety Entertainment

One of the most important of these functions is a Variety Entertainment, the proceeds of which will go towards the League's expenses. This entertainment is to take place in the Opera House on March 21st at 9-30 p.m. (S.T.) His Excellency, the Governor and Lady Brabourne have graciously consented to be present.

The arrangements for the concert are in the hands of a committee of ladies including,—Mrs. Maneklal Premchand (Chairman), Mrs. K. Shuffi Tyabji, Mrs. Mithibai M. P. Sethna, Mrs. Ratanbai J. Karaka, Mrs. Padmavati Madgaonkar, Lady Duggan, Mrs. Kamar Tyabji, Mrs. Kusumgouri M. Minshi, Mrs. V. N. Chandavarkar, Miss K. J. Bharda, Mrs. H. J. Kania, Mrs. F. A. Vakil, Miss R. Reuben, Mrs. Francis Low, Mrs. Mary O'Brien, Mrs. K. J. Dubash and Mrs. Rasikmani B. Desai (Hon. Secretary).

The programme will include musical items, displays of drill, dancing, acrobatic feats by Chinese performers, and items by Miss Chattopadhya and Mrs. Rajun. Tickets for the performance can be had from Mrs. Kania, 102, Ridge Road, Malabar Hill.

As there is likely to be a big demand for a charity performance arranged on such an important public holiday as Jamshed Navroz, it is advisable that those who intend to be present should book early and so secure their seats. In view of the deserving nature of the League's work, it is but fitting that all generously minded citizens should give it their wholehearted support.

KARNATAK ARTS EXHIBITION

Dr. Kurtkoti Distributes Prizes

The Prize Distribution Ceremony of the Karnatak Arts and Crafts (held during the last X'mas week) came off recently in the Forbes Gujarati Hall under the distinguished presidentship of His Holiness Shri Shankaracharya (Dr. Kurtkoti). There was a very large and distinguished gathering prominent among whom were Mr. H. Shankar Rao, Dy. Controller of Currency, and Mr. B. R. Mugalkhod, Indian Marine Accounts Officer.

Mr. R. A. Jahagirdar, in his opening address, briefly narrated the events leading up to the holding of the Exhibition and how it was a great success, thanks to the hearty co-operation of all the Karnataki of Bombay, and expressed great pleasure at having been able to secure such a distinguished personage as His Holiness to preside over that day's function. Dr. Kurtkoti, after distributing the prizes and certificates to the prize-winners, expressed his sense of gladness at meeting so many Karnatakis and at their endeavours to come into closer contact.

The following are the prize-winners:—

(1) Mr. G. S. Dandavatimath; (2) Mr. S. M. Pandit; (3) Mrs. Leelabai M. N. Dinkar; (4) Mr. A. B. Varkhid.; (5) Mr. M. R. Chaphalker; (6) Mr. V. K. Gadgil; (7) Mr. A. Kamdolli; (8) Mr. D. M. Shetty; (9) Mr. R. S. Kodical; (10) Mr. D. A. Kumthakar; (11) Miss Indira Nadkarni; (12) Miss Indumati Kamat; (13) Miss Lila Mundkur; (14) Mrs. Tarabai Nayampalli; (15) Mrs. Radha Saletore; (16) Mr. S. K. Inavalli and (17) Mrs. Anasuyabai Vedapathak.

After a vote of thanks by Mr. B. D. Belvi, Advocate, the function terminated.

On 19th night at Akola station Balapur Jain Sangh presented an address in a silver casket to the Pilgrims of the Ahmedabad Jain Katrik special. Akola Jains also wished them a happy journey. On 20th inst. a meeting under the auspices of Nagpur Jain Sangh was held at Nagpur station platform and wishing the pilgrims a happy voyage.

B. B. & C. I. RAILWAYMEN MOBILISING

Preparations Afoot For Conference In Bombay

(From a Correspondent)

In response to the announcement made in the Railway Budget recently both the G.I.P. and B.B. and C.I. Railway workers are rapidly organising their forces with a view to offering resistance if and when necessary.

The B.B. and C.I. Railway workers have a couple of Unions on the line but finding that the men are suffering from continued hardships, it has been resolved by representative workers to hold a central Conference in Bombay to discuss the present grievances and to arrive at a militant solution of the same. The Reception Committee has been formed and Mr. Jhabvala who has been long working among the B.B. and C.I. Railway workers, has lent his whole hearted support to the Conference.

A series of meetings to awaken the workers to be prepared for the above conference are being held almost every day where Messrs. Jhabvala, Khale, Parab, Shivprasad and Potkar have been addressing large audiences with satisfactory results. Invitations have been received from Dohad, Ajmer, and Rutlam to awaken them and prepare them for joint action in the matter of making the Conference a success in the interest of the Railway workers.

Bombay Home Member Congratulated

The Jt. Hon. Secretary of The Anti-Gambling League, writes:—

The Anti-Gambling League congratulates Sir Robert Bell, the Home Member, who has very successfully piloted the Bill to amend the Prevention of Gambling Act of 1887 through all its stages. The League also thanks Mr. W. R. G. Smith, the Commissioner of Police, whose assurance of the extraordinary powers delegated to him, that the same shall not become "walking warrants" but shall be exercised with due care, caution and judiciously.

According to a Karachi message two persons who stood their trial in the court at Garhiyasin in connection with the theft of two Granth Sahibs (religious books kept in Sikh temples) and other valuable from a Karachi Gurdwara were sentenced to two years rigorous imprisonment and fines of Rs. 200 each.

COUNTRY'S GREAT LOSS

Liberals Mourn Death Of Sir Dinshaw, One Of Founders Of W.I.N.L.A.

At a meeting of the Council of the Western India National Liberal Association held on Thursday evening, the following resolution was passed:—

"The Council of the Western India National Liberal Association places on record its deep regret at the death of Sir Dinshaw Wacha in whose passing away, the country sustained a great loss.

"He was one of the active founders of the Liberal Party in India in the year 1918 with the firm conviction that that Party will uphold and continue, on constitutional lines, the work and traditions of the Indian National Congress of which also he was one of the founders. His fearless advocacy of the Indian cause extending over a period of more than 50 years will ever be gratefully remembered by his countrymen. He was unbending in following his own principles and standing by what he thought right irrespective of popular approval or disapproval. His profound knowledge of Indian financial and economic questions was unrivalled.

"From 1919 to 1927 he was the President of the Western India National Liberal Association and as such guided its work efficiently. His loss will be mourned by all classes and people of all political pursuasion.

"The Council convey their respectful condolences to the members of his family in their sad bereavement."

LATE SIR DINSHAW WACHA

Bombay Liberals' Tribute

The Council of the Western India National Liberal Association at its meeting held on Thursday passed a resolution placing on record its deep regret at the death of Sir Dinshaw Wachha. Among other things the resolution said:—

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BOMBAY GOVT. GAZETTE

Civil Appointments

The following announcements are published in "The Bombay Government Gazette" issued today:—

Mr. A. E. Davies, on the completion of his training, is to do duty as Assistant Superintendent of Police, Poona, vice Rao Saheb M. K. Kakeri on leave.

Mr. R. H. Tucker is to be a Justice of the Peace within the limits of the Town of Bombay.

Mr. C. D. Rae, Postmaster-General, Bombay Circle, is posted as Senior Deputy Director-General, Posts and Telegraphs, vice Mr. Booth.

Mr. A. Angelo, Postmaster-General is transferred from the charge of the Bihar and Orissa to the Bombay Circle, as a temporary measure, vice Mr. Rae.

Major A. J. Ransford, on return from leave resumed charge of the duties of the Mint Master, Bombay, on February 6, 1936.

Captain D. V. Deane, Deputy Mint Master, Bombay, has been granted leave on average pay ex-India for eight months with effect from February 20, 1936.

The following appointments at the Government Law College, Bombay, are announced:—

Dr. B. R. Ambedkar to continue as Principal and Perry Professor of Jurisprudence for a further period of two years with effect from June 1, 1936.

LAW COLLEGE APPOINTMENTS

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Mr. Y. V. Dikshit, Mr. K. N. Dharap, Mr. N. K. Petigara, Mr. K. S. Shavaksha, Mr. F. G. R. Khairaz, and Mr. G. N. Joshi are to continue as Professors of Law for a further period of two years with effect from June.

IMPROVING STANDARD OF INDIAN FILMS

Motion Picture Society's Plea For Concession In Import Of Artistic Movies

The following representation has been forwarded by Mr. J. B. H. Wadia, the Joint Hon. Secretary of the Motion Picture Society of India to the Secretary, Central Board of Revenue, New Delni proposing exemption from duty on films imported for purposes of demonstration:—

I have been directed by the Executive Committee of the Society to approach you with a request to help the Motion Picture Society of India in its attempts to elevate the standard of the technique of motion pictures produced in this country.

In this connection, I may mention that in many of the Western countries where the film industry has made considerable advance and is counted as one of the most important industries from the point of view of investment of capital, employment of labour and also as an effective means of education, the State and the manufacturers have been trying to improve the standard of the films by the establishment of special institutions or experimental laboratories for training film technicians.

NO FACILITIES.

In this country although the industry has been started about twenty years ago, no such facility is available either for the film technicians working in the industry, or for those who would like to take up the profession of working in any one of the branches of the industry—scenario writing, direction, cameraman's work, sound recording etc

The Cinematograph Committee, 1927-28, pointed out the need for starting a central laboratory. However the recommendations of this committee have not been carried so far into effect. I need not point out to you the large revenue the Central Government has been getting by way of import duties on exposed and unexposed (raw) cinema films. Apart from this, there are many other sources of revenue to the Government from the cinema industry as has been pointed out in a representation made to the Secretary to the Government of India, Commerce Department already published in the press.

Considering the revenue derived by both the Central and the Provincial Governments, my committee request you to allow this Society to import films, both entertainment as well as educational, of high artistic and technical standard, from countries like Germany, Italy, Sweden, etc. whose films have not been far exhibited in this country.

REQUEST FOR CONCESSION

The Society should be allowed to import such films without going through the customs formalities, and also should be allowed to show them only to the members of the Society and to recognised technicians working in the industry and return them to the country of origin within a stipulated period of about three weeks.

My committee need hardly emphasise here the point that the Government have recognised the Society as the only representative body, whose duties are purely philanthropic and which makes this requests solely on the ground of preparing some means for the technicians of this country to appreciate the excellence, from the artistic and technical point of view, of a number of foreign films. The Society, as a philanthropic body to whose representations and deputations the Government have paid earnest attention, can be trusted to import these films in the way suggested above and its stipulation that they will be sent back by a particular rate should be accepted by the Government.

Tribute To Madarasa-e-Mohamedie, Mandsaur

Mr. G. Gibson, Resident, Gwalior has passed the following remarks about his visit to the Madaresa-e-Mohmedie, of Mandsaur.

"I had the pleasure to visit the Madrasa-e-Mohamedia, Mandsaur last month. I found the pupils very smart and the quality of instructions imparted to them fully satisfied me. Besides the building is well ventilated and commodious, and the furniture is adequate. The gymnasium is supplied with the most up to date implements. The latest and the most useful books are found in the library, and a good use is made of them, both by the staff as well as by the pupils.

"The Madrasa has its own Scouts Corps. The staff and the management are well qualified and do their work very satisfactorily. I congratulate the Management for their labour in spreading education amongst their less fortunate brothers. On the whole I passed a very pleasant evening."

INSURANCE OF HEAVY MOTOR-VEHICLES

Lorry Transport Workers' Protest

The General Secretary, Bombay Lorry Transport Workers' Union has addressed the following letter to the Superintendent of Police, Motor Department, Bombay:—

Sir—With reference to your circular letter dated 18th Jan. 1936 regarding the insurance of heavy motor vechicles, I beg to place bsfore you the following remarks on behalf of the Bombay Lorry Transport Workers Union.

It is an undeniable fact that the transport industry of Bombay is not in a flourishing state, as it was a few years ago. The volume of work has diminished very considerably because of the opening of new ports like Bhavnagar, Jamnagar, Okha, Marmagoa, Kokonada, etc. Nearly half the cotton trade of Bombay has been diverted to these ports. Besides during the last about 10 years the number of heavy lorries in Bombay has increased appreciably. In addition to this there is the competition between the bullock carts, Port Trust, Railway and the lorries, and also between the different lorry owners and contractors themselves, which puts a definite limit on the haulage rates. This has all resulted in diminishing the incomes of the lorry owners to the bare maintenance of their business.

ON VERGE OF RUIN.

The Motor Taxation Act that was passed in November last has dealt a serious blow to them. It is absolutely beyond thier capacity to pay this tax unless, the haulage rates are sufficiently increased. Even the present taxation on these vechicles varying from Rs. 204 to Rs. 224, they find difficult to pay as is evidenced from the arrears of the Municipal Wheel Tax. The 1935 Act will increase it to the extent of from Rs. 400/- to Rs. 500/- (most of them have solid tyres.) Because of this many owners are seriously considering whether to close their business altogether. It places them on the verge of ruination. They cannot compensate this increase of tax by an enchancement of the haulage rates because of the keen competition offered by the bullock carts and the Port Trust Railway. As such nothing but ruin awaits them.

Over and above this the Government now wants them to insure their lorries for a sum of Rs. 15,000. The premium for this compulsory insurance becomes a direct tax on the lorry owners. The new taxation that comes into force since April next is already overburdening. The insurance premium will make it unbearable.

BLOW TO TRANSPORT INDUSTRY

In our opinion therefore the insurance scheme is detrimental to the interests of the lorry owners and deals a heavy blow to the transport industry. The increase in the rates of haulage means a burden on trade and industry which further becomes a burden on the general public. Because this increase in taxation will be transferred to the public in the form of the increased prices of the goods hauled. As such we have to request you to move the Government to exempt the Bombay heavy motor lorries from the operation of this rule and save the lorry owners from utter ruin and misery.

Appeal To Lorry-owners To Unite

The General Secretary, Bombay Lorry Transport Workers Union has sent the following for publication:—

The Government has recently amended the Bombay Motor Vehicle Rules of 1915, whereby "No heavy motor vehicle shall be registered unless the owner of such vehicle has taken out an Insurance Policy to cover to the extent of a sum of Rs. 15,000/- third party risks in connection with the use of such vehicle for the duration of the registration certificate." That it will be very difficult for the Bombay heavy lorry-owners to pay the insurance premiums is amply proved by my reply to the Superintendent of Police, Motor Department. But the Government by another clause can exempt from operation of this Rule any heavy motor vehicle or any class of motor vehicles.

I therefore appeal to the heavy lorry-owners of Bombay to unite and agitate on this issue and move the Government to exempt them from insurance.

A Gibralter message states:—

Following the examination of the "Strathmore" by engineers, it is stated the necessary, repairs will be effected here and probably take three days:—Reuter.

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To-day

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Lowtide: 5-39; 17 36
Sunrise: 7h. 3m
Sunset: 6h. 41m.

S. S. 'Viceroy of India' with English mails sails at 1 p.m.

MONDAY, February 24

Bombay Legislative Council By-election: University Constituency, Counting of Votes, Convocation Hall, 11-0 a.m.

Legislative Council, 2 p.m.

Municipal Corporation, 3-40 p.m.

TUESDAY, February 25.

European Association (Bombay Branch) annual general meeting, Hotel Majestic, 6-30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, February 26

Municipal Standing Committee, 4-10 p.m.

FLAG SALUTATION

The monthly flag salutation ceremony will be performed at the Congress House to-morrow (Sunday) at 8 a.m. (S.T.), by Mr. K. M. Munshi. Public are cordially invited to attend.

IN A WARD

Under the auspices of A Ward (Fort) the monthly flag salutation ceremony will be performed to-morrow (Sunday) at 8 a.m. (S.T.) at 28 Manordas Street Holi Chakla.

SOYA BEAN COFFEE

We have received two 1/4 lb. tins and sample packets of 'Soya Been Coffee' from the Soya Bean Products Co., 17 B. Elphinstone Circle, Bombay.

It is claimed that when Soya Bean Coffee is added to milk, it makes the milk easily digestible for children.

DONATION TO BOMBAY HOMEOPATHIC ASSOCIATION

The Bombay Homeopathic Medical Association have received a donation of 3 1/2 per cent G. P. Note of the face value of Rs. 500 from Messrs. Devkaran Nanjee and Sons in memory of their partner, the late Mr. Manoo Devkaran Nanjee.

ANTI-MINISTRY CAMPAIGN

Under the auspices of the Bombay Congress Socialist party a public meeting will be held at Jinnah Hall to-day (Saturday) at 6-30 p.m. to inaugurate the Anti Ministry Campaign. Mr. Farid Ansari will preside and Messrs. Purshottam Tricumdas, Yusuf Meherally, Manibehn Kara and Manibhai Desai will be among the speakers.

Dr. Manek Anklesaria will also address the meeting.

CATHOLIC EDUCATIONAL CONFERENCE.

The first of the Conferences which the Educational Committee of the League of Catholic Action is calling for discussion of educational problems, was held on Wednesday last at Antonio de'Souza High School Hall. Byculla. Heads of Catholic Schools, including the Jesuit and Convent schools, in Bombay, Bandra, Santa Cruz, and Thana, attended the Conference, besides members of the Educational Committee.

Principal A. Soares presided.

The Conference resolved that an Association of Heads of English-teaching Schools be formed, and appointed a small Committee to draft the necessary rules and regulations.

After a vote of thanks to the Chair, the Conference dissolved.

AMUSEMENTS OF THE DAY

EXCELSIOR—"Vintage Wine" Daily at 6-30 and 10 p.m. Matinee, to-day and to-morrow at 4 p.m.

REGAL—"The Great Impersonation" Daily at 6-30 and 10 p.m. Matinee, to-day and to-morrow at 4 p.m.

ROXY—"Wild Cat of Bombay" Daily at 5-15, 8 and 10-45 p.m. Matinee, to-day and to-morrow 2-30 p.m.

CAPITOL—"Tropical Express Won-Stop Revue" Daily at 6 and 9-30 p.m.

CENTRAL—"A Night at the Opera" Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.

PATHE—"So Red the Rose" Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m. Sunday morning show at 10 a.m.

WELLINGTON—"Chandu on the Magic Island" Daily at 6-30 and 10 p.m. Matinee, to-day and to-morrow at 3-30 p.m.

MAJESTIC—"Savitri" Daily at 5, 8 and 10-30 p.m. Matinee, Saturday and Sunday at 2-30 p.m.

MINERVA—"Dhoop Chhaon" Daily at 5-15, 8 and 10-45 p.m. Matinee, to-day and to-morrow at 2-45 p.m.

KRISHNA—"Dharmatma" Daily at 5-15, 8 and 10-45 p.m. Matinee, to-day and to-morrow at 2-30 p.m.

IMPERIAL—"Mother" Daily at 5-30, 8 and 10-30 p.m. Matinee, to-day and to-morrow at 3 p.m.

ROYAL OPERA HOUSE—"Shipmates Forever" Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.

PLAZA—"Count of Monte Cristo" Daily at 6-30 and 9-45 p.m. Matinee, to-day and to-morrow at 3-30 p.m.

SUPER—"Night of Love" Daily at 5-15, 8 and 10-45 p.m. Matinee, to-day and to-morrow at 2-30 p.m.

INQUIRY INTO CONGRESS COMPLAINTS

The adjourned enquiry into the complaints received from "G" (Dadar) Ward with regard to the last general election of delegates will be held to-morrow (Sunday) at 5 p.m. (S.T.), at the Congress House.

The complaints with regard to "F" Ward will also be heard at the same time.

Complainants are requested to be present punctually at the enquiry with such evidence as they desire to adduce.

DEBATE ON DOWRY SYSTEM

Under the auspices of the Kanara Brotherhood, a prize debate will be held at the Forbes Gujarati Hall, Vithalbhai Patel Road, on Sunday, (23rd inst.) at 3-30 p.m. (S.T.) Mr. S. V. Palekar presiding.

Mrs. Myrtle Patrao will put forward the resolution that "the Dowry System is injurious to the social and economic progress of the community", and Mr. T. A. Kamat will lead the opposition.

Messrs. T. Nagesh Rao, Madhav Desai, J. V. Pai, P. V. Wagh, U. Ratnakar Rao, S. A. Kotiankar, D. R Nadkarni, V. V. Dhume, and J. V. Kulkarni and Mrs. Indira Telang will also speak on the occasion.

"MAYOR AS CHIEF INSPECTOR"

Nariman's First Lecture To-day

Mr. K. F. Nariman, Mayor of Bombay, will deliver the first public lecture of a series of lectures on municipal subjects arranged by the Local Self-Government Institute at the Hall of the Institute, at 11, Elphinstone Circle, Fort, Bombay (opposite the Town Hall) at 5 p.m. (S.T.) on "Mayor as Chief Inspector."

The Regal To-day & To-morrow at 4, 6-30 & 10 p.m.

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"VOTING FAIRLY CONDUCTED"

Polling Officer's Statement In Election Case

At the resumed hearing, on Thursday of the petition filed by Mr. P. D. Shamdasani before Mr. A.A. Chitre, Chief Judge, Small Causes Court, Bombay, challenging the election of Mr. Alarakhia Aba Alaiya Seth from the "B' ward of the Bombay Municipality in August last. Mr. S. N. Chaubal, the election and polling officer, who supervised the polling was further cross-examined by the petitioner.

Mr. Alarakhia Aba and Mr. Shamdasani were the two candidates who contested the election, polling for which was held on August 27 last. Mr. Shamdasani was unsuccessful. The respondents to the petition are the Municipal Commissioner and Mr. Alarakhia Aba.

Mr. Chaubal, in his cross-examination, stated that he supervised the election inside the polling booth. The voting was fairly and properly conducted. The voting papers were handed to the voters by the clerks at the booth according to rules. It was not possible for any person to tamper with the wooden boxes in which the votes were cast.

Council on behalf of the respondents then addressed the Court.

Further hearing was postponed.

TO-DAY'S FUNCTIONS

The opening ceremony of the new premises of the Shraddhanand Anath Mahilashram of the Hindu Women's Rescue Home Society at 5-30 p.m. (S.T.) at Matunga near the King's Circle Gardens. Lady Brabourne will perform the opening ceremony.

Meeting of the "Golden Jubilee Committee" of the "F" Ward District Congress Committee at 8-30 p.m. (S.T.) at the "Bombay Gymnastic Institute's Vyayam Shala" opposite Kamgar Maidan, Parel.

Meeting of the members of the Insurance Representatives' Society at 3-45 p.m. at the office of the Industrial and Prudential Assurance Co., Ltd., when Mr. C. C. Kaji will address on "Training of Agents".

At Matunga Arya Samaj Mandir Swami Omkar Satchidanand's public lecture on "Rishi Dayanand's night of knowledge" at 6-30 p.m. (S.T.)

The Band of St. Mary's High School at the Joseph Baptista's Gardens, Mazagaon, at 5-45 p.m. (S.T.)

Under the auspices of the Debating Circle of the Karnatak Sangh, Bombay, weekly debate on "Co-education" at 5-30 p.m. in the Hall of the Sangh at 8, Dwarkadas Mansions, Benam Hall Lane, Girgaum. Prof. V. V. Kamat, will preside.

Under the auspices of Young Men's Hindu Association Mr. A. D. Shroff's public lecture in the premises of the Association, Girgaum Back Road, at 6-30 p.m. on "Economic Consequences of the New Constitution". Mr. Manu Subedar presiding.

Members of the Commerce Graduates' Association are informed that a "Free Harbour Cruise" has been arranged open to the present and past students of the College, who have subscribed towards the 10th Sydenham College Day Fund. The launch "S.S. Lakshmi" will start from Apollo Bunder at 2-30 p.m.

"At Home" of the members and patrons of the Bombay Kerala Club and Reading Room to Poet Vallathol and Kalamandalam Party in the club premises at 5 p.m.

Sjt. Kakasaheb Kalekar's lecture on "The Simplification of Nagari Script" at 6 p.m. (S.T.) in the Karandiker Hall of the Brahmin Sabha, Charni Road.

The School of Indian Music's free concert in their school hall at 5-30 p.m.

Grant Medical College Gymkhana Annual Athletic Sport at Kennedy Sea face 2 p.m. Sir S. N. Bhutto will preside and Lady Bhutto will distribute prizes.

Under the auspices of the Bombay Presidency Social Reform Association Mr. M. H Vakil's lecture on 'Women under the Buddhist Law' in the Prarthana Mandir at 6 p.m. (S.T.) Mr. K. A. Padhye will preside.

SIR D. H. BHIVANDIWALA'S CANDIDATURE

It is understood that Sir Dossabhoy Hormusji Bhiwandiwalla is standing as a candidate for the election of a member of the Local Board of the Reserve Bank of India for the Western Area which has been fixed for 20th March, 1936.

In the course of his manifesto Sir Dossabhoy mentions that as Director of the British India General Insurance Co., Ltd., The Kaiser-i-Hind Insurance Co. Ltd., The Indian National Airways, Ltd., the Aeronautical Training Centre of India, Ltd., the Khamgaon Electric Supply Co. Ltd., the Mandwa Ferries, Ltd., the Bombay Cycle and Motor Agency, Ltd., and other joint stock concerns, and as a member of the Indian Merchants' Chamber, he has been closely associated with the commercial and industrial life of India. He is also a Patron of the School of Economics and Sociology of the University of Bombay, Vice-Patron of the Bombay Symphony Orchestral Society, Bombay, and President of the Uran (District Kolaba) Municipality.

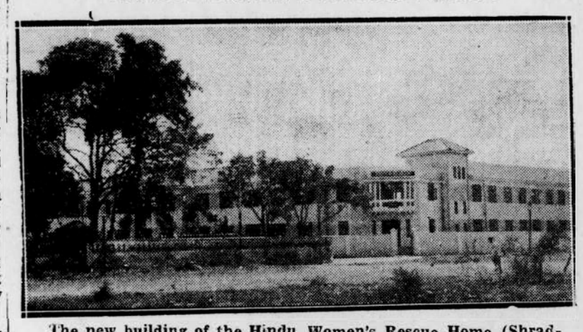
He appeals to voters to give him their first preference vote.

DAVAR'S COLLEGE SOCIAL GATHERING

The Annual Social Gathering of the Davar's College of Commerce will be held at 4 p. m. (S.T.) to-day (Saturday), at Sir Cowasjee Jehangir Public Hall when Mr. V. N. Chandavarkar, Vice-Chancellor, University of Bombay, will preside.

The Programme of events will include the Principal's Annual Report and Presidential Address. There will also be items of Action Song, Humorous imitations besides the usual items of the instrumental Music, Comic Skit, etc., and distribution of Prizes by Mrs. Chandavarkar to the winners of 1st, 2nd and 3rd places in the Annual Athletic Sports events of the College including Five Championship Cups for which replicas have been presented by the Donors this year as usual and also in respect of Examination successes secured by the College students during the year.

HINDU WOMEN'S RESCUE HOME



The new building of the Hindu Women's Rescue Home (Shraddhanand Anath Mahilashram), Matunga, which will be declared open to-day by Her Excellency Lady Brabourne.

A children's class at the Hindu Women's Rescue Home.

TO-DAY ON RADIO

BOMBAY PROGRAMME

12-0 noon. Selection of Indian Music. 1-0 p.m. Available Market Rates, Lunch Hour Selections. 2-0 p.m. Close down.

5-30 p.m. Relay of Music from Regal Cinema. 6-30 p.m. Light Classical Music. 7-0 p.m. Commercial News. 7-15 p.m. Kadim Hussein. 7-50 p.m. News in Hindi. 8-0 p.m. Violin Solos. 8-30 p.m. "Laila Majun" in 1936. 9-30 p.m. News in English. 9-45 p.m. "Around the Town." 10-0 p.m. "Chopin". 11-0 p.m. Close down.

Empire Broadcasting

7-30 p.m. Big Ben. A talk to Girl Guides by Lady Baden-Powell, G.B.E. (Chief Guide). Relayed from Pietermaritzburg, South Africa. 7-40 p.m. The BBC Scottish Orchestra. 8-20 p.m. Scotland V. Ireland. A running commentary on the football match Relayed from Murrayfield, Edinburgh. 10-00 p.m. News. 10-15 p.m. The London Zigeuner Orchestra, directed by Ernest Leggett. Winifred Davis (Mezzo-soprano). 10-30 p.m. Close down.

Calcutta Programme

12-36 p.m. A Studio Programme by Messrs. T. E. Bevan and Co. Ltd. Mantovani and his Tipica Orchestra. Harry Torrani (Yodeller). London Piano-Accordeon Band. The Californian Ramblers. Charles Manning and his Granada Orchestra. Pianoforte Solo by Jack Wilson. George Hall and his Orchestra. Billy Cotton and his Band. Calcutta Weather Bulletin for Oceancraft and Rivercraft (if any). 1-36 p.m. Kathakata by Raghu Nath Bhattacharya. 2-05 p.m. Recorded Selections. 2-36 p.m. Talk by Mrs. Bella Halder. 3-05 p.m. Close down.

5-36 p.m. Instrumental Music. 5-46 p.m. Rural Reconstruction Series—Talk. 6-06 p.m. Vocal Music (Bengali). 6-21 p.m. Sreematy Kamala Roy. 6-36 p.m. Sm. Bina Chowdhury. 6-51 p.m. Sreematy Uttara Devi. 7-05 p.m. Sreematy Sati Devi. 7-26 p.m. Krishna Chandra Dey.—Kirtan. 7-51 p.m. News Bulletin in English. 8-06 p.m. Light Bengali Songs. 8-21 p.m. Kumari Amiya Sircar. 8-36 p.m. Instrumental Music. 8-51 p.m. Weather Forecast, General News Bulletin, Market Prices, Jute and Gunny Closing Rates (In Bengali). 9-06 p.m. The Military Band. Concert Party, and Dance Band of the 1st Battalion, the Devonshire Regiment. 9-36 p.m. The Concert Party in a Vaudeville Programme. 10-06 p.m. Weather Report, 2nd News Bulletin, Market Prices, Jute and Gunny Closing Rates (In English). 10-21 p.m. The Dance Band of the 1st Battalion the Devonshire Regiment in A Dance Music Programme from the Studio. 10-36 p.m. Close down.

Delhi Programme

1-0 p.m. Asad Ali Khan. Desi. 1-15 p.m. Sarangi. Asawri. 1-25 p.m. Mrs. Asaf Ali. "Ghardari ki baten." 1-40 p.m. Asad Ali Khan. Ghazals. 2-0 p.m. Haidar Husain. Sitar, Sadh Todi 2-15 p.m. Asad Ali Khan. Ghazal. 2-30 p.m. Close down.

6-0 p.m. I.B.S. Orchestra. Luddi 6-15 p.m. B. S. Rawat of Simla. Bhajans. 6-35 p.m. Sarangi. Nepali Pahari. 6-45 p.m. Wazir Khan of Delhi. Khayal Jait Kalyan, Thumri Aiman Kalyan. 7-15 p.m. Zohra Jan of Ambala. Khayal Bhatiar. 7-30 p.m. The Urdu Drama. Professor Mujib of the Jamia Milliya. (In Hindustani). 7-45 p.m. Zohra Jan of Ambala. Thumri Khhammaj and Dadras. 8-15 p.m. H. H. Chughtai. Sitar, Bihag. 8-25 p.m. Wazir Khan. Ghazals. 8-45 p.m. Sardar. Violin, Des. 8-50 p.m. Zohra Jan of Ambala. Ghazals. 9-15 p.m. News in Hindustani. 9-30 p.m. Sime Signal. News in English. 9-45 p.m. 'Mantosh'. A Hindustani Play. 10-45 p.m. Close Down.

TALK OF THE SUBURBS

(By A "SUBURBANMAN")

Bandra's gala day is drawing near, only the difference of a night and the school-going population will present that imposing and picturesque display for which they have put strenuous practice for months and months.

Young kiddies at drill, girls at fancy dances and boys at acrobatic stunts, that's not all. Brass bands in attendance and, above all, a colour-illuminated arena.... A great entertainment.

So I hope you will be one of the crowds that will be present at St. Stainslavs' School compound at 5-45 p.m. on Sunday.

RADIO-GRAM AT PHILOMENA COTTAGE

Bandra, the "Queen of the Suburbs," is making a headway in every direction. Yesterday starting at 9-30 p.m. the terrace of Philomena Cottage saw a very respectable gathering of young dancers.

This radio-gram which was organised with the sole idea of giving friends an opportunity to meet and enjoy hours in gaiety was very well organised. The stillness of the night added rhythm to the selected pieces of well-known record-music and the dancers danced away their blues right up to the rising of the dawn.

I think, I would be doing injustice, if I do not make special mention that Mr. S. Dease and Mr. C. Knox, two of the members of the Organising Committee, spared no pains in making this function a success..... More men like these, is what Bandra really wants.

TO-DAY AT SANTA-CRUZ

To-day begins what many in the Suburbs had long and anxiously awaited for. So do not forget to take your wife, children and your near and dear ones. A trial for every body, from the tiniest tod to your wrinkled grand-dad.. —you wonder what I am talking about?

That Fancy Carnival I told you about. For your guidance, let me tell you, you are cordially invited at the Wellington Gymkhana this evening to have a swell time of your life, so do not forget!

In And Around Bombay

(From Our Staff Correspondents)

Rescue Home

The Home of the Hindu Women's Rescue Home Society which will be declared open by Lady Brabourne this evening at Matunga has an interesting history. It was started eight years ago to perpetuate the memory of Swami Shraddhanandji with a view to provide shelter and render assistance to Hindu women and children without distinction of class or caste. How this institution serves its purpose will be seen from the fact that in the last eight years among those admitted into it were 268 fallen women, 120 were poor and helpless, 132 were rescued. 62 had deserted husbands. 80 were deserted by their husbands. 141 were sent by the courts or by the police and 178 were admitted for delivery. But for the timely assistance rendered by the Ashram most of these women and children would have been lost to society. It is the common experience of social workers that unprotected women become daily victims to fraud and deception in this vast cosmopolitan city. Some of the women rescued by the society would have been forced to live an immoral life till death, had not the society come to their rescue at the critical moment and helped them to tread the path of virtue.

The New Building

The activities of the society had during previous years to be curtailed for want of a commodious building. The Ashram had to be accommodated in a rented building on a heavy rent. The space available was not found sufficient even for day to day activities which are the inevitable concommitants of the work of the Ashram. A judicious grouping of the inmates as well as a scheme of industrial training was not possible for want of room. The society, therefore, took a plot of land, measuring about 6,000 square yards, on long lease from the Bombay Municipality and erected a building at a cost of Rs. 80,000 which will be opened to-day by Lady Brabourne. A part of the money has been realised so far towards the expense of the building and it is hoped some generous citizen will come forward with a handsome donation to wipe out the debt. The Society's monthly expenditure to run the Ashram comes to about Rs. 1,000, which hardly leaves room for saving anything to pay the debt incurred on the building.

Arrest Of Alleged Suttawala

BOMBAY, Friday.

Cassum Aziz, alleged to be Sattawalla was arrested by Sergeant MacCarthy of the Nagpada Police Station on Thursday evening.

Cassum, it is alleged was carrying on his "business" in Akabassi Jafferbhoy Chawl at Moreland Rd. Last night a trap was laid, and a bogus punter was sent with marked coins, which was followed by the Police in plain clothes.

After the raid a panchnama was made and "Satta" slips, marked coins and cash were taken away by the Police.

Cassum was subsequently released on bail by the Police.

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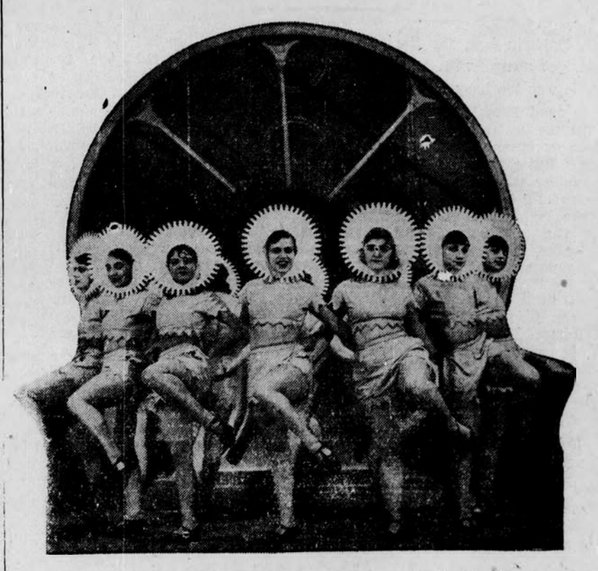

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REPEAL REPRESSIVE LAWS

Though Mr. B. Das's Bill to repeal one particular repressive law has been rejected for the time being by the Legislative Assembly, opposition to repressive measures in general seems to be gathering strength in the Assembly and is expressing itself in one form or other. On Thursday the Assembly first considered Sardar Sant Singh's motion for the circulation of his Bill to amend the Criminal Procedure Code so as to abolish the power of the Governments of certain provinces to appoint special magistrates to deal, by the usual magisterial procedure, with certain offences which would otherwise be dealt with by the Sessions Court. And after the motion was carried, despite Government's opposition, the Assembly turned to a more comprehensive Bill to repeal a number of repressive laws. The common element in both the Bills and all the laws covered by the latter is opposition to the Executive being armed with powers prejudicial to the most elementary legal rights of the public. Sardar Sant Singh's Bill was a mild measure and only asked for true judicial procedure in the conduct of cases, however serious. Yet Government opposed it. Sir Henry Craik shocked the House by remarking that there was no popular demand for the reform suggested by the Bill. Such a remark only shows that either Government are incapable of understanding public opinion or they ignore it. This was proved by the fact that though Sir Henry protested that the case for the motion "had been so completely demolished that what was left was to be given a decent burial," the motion, when put to the vote, was carried by the House, without Government challenging a division.

A Broken Pledge

Mr. Satyamurti's Bill is a frontal attack on repressive laws in general, whether they are embodied in special measures or in the so-called normal law of the land. It seeks to amend the notorious Section 124-A of the Indian Penal Code and Section 144 Cr. P. C. and to repeal fourteen Acts, dating from 1818 to 1932, including the Madras and Bengal State Prisoners Regulations of 1818, the Press Emergency Act, the Criminal Law Amendment Act and the Indian States Protection Act. Though Mr. Satyamurti had not finished his speech when the House adjourned, he made out a very strong case for his Bill, anticipating and refuting almost every argument usually urged by officials in support of repressive laws. One of his main contentions with regard to the law of sedition was that the law in India should be brought in line with the English law, limiting sedition to words which intentionally promoted violence and disorder. It may be remembered that Lord Irwin gave an assurance that in practice the law of sedition would be enforced here on the lines of British law. It is also remembered that this assurance, like many other British pledges, has been honoured more in the breach than in the observance.

Underlying Principle

The most common argument urged by officials in support of repressive measures is that these will be highly useful to Indian Ministers themselves under the new Constitution in maintaining law and order. But the principle underlying opposition to all repressive laws is that no administrator, Indian or non-Indian, should be allowed to use unjust and oppressive measures even for maintaining law and order. Mr. Satyamurti also referred to the danger of unscrupulous Ministers under the new Constitution using repressive laws to shut up their opponents. If such methods were to be adopted by any ministry, it would be impossible for the Opposition to dislodge it, said Mr. Satyamurti, without offending the section dealing with sedition. And if it is not open to the Opposition to build up opinion through propaganda against the Ministry in power in order to oust it, responsible government is not possible, whatever else may be. Under the rules of the Assembly Mr. Satyamurti cannot resume his speech till in April next. But meanwhile it is necessary for Congressmen to take the lead in mobilising public opinion in support of his Bill so as to make it impossible for the Home Member to say again that there is no public demand for any change in the existing law.

Foreign Office Leakage

Mr. Baldwin has, for the time being, got away with the excuse that he was too busy in the morning to read Press reports relating to the publication of a Foreign Office document in the Italian Press. But it is to be hoped that the matter will be pursued on Monday and full details concerning the leakage, as also the text of the report published. Meanwhile, the extracts of the report that the "Giornale d'Italia" has published, are sufficient to prove that Britain has been guided all along by her own Imperialist interest rather than by sympathy for Abyssinia. "Britain's chief concern," Sir John Maffey, clearly admits, 'is connected with the headwaters of the Nile which, in the event of Italy being firmly established in Abyssinia, would call for a 'Corridor to Sudan' or, failing that, Britain should endeavour to obtain less onerous conditions as regards the Lake Tsana dam project than stipulated by Ethiopia."

The claim now is that the report was made before the crisis finally developed at Geneva and Italy was named the aggressor and that the fact of Britain leading the Nations at Geneva, inspite of this report, proves her genuine loyalty to international obligations. All this is delightfully plausible; but there is another side to it. It may be that British attitude was guided by the conviction that Italy would not agree to Sir John Maffey's proposed conditions which—and this is quite likely—were themselves not adequate enough to safeguard British interests in the event of Italy securing sovereignty over Abyssinia. That Britain has been less concerned with protecting Abyssinia and the League of Nations than her own individual interests is further evidenced by the repeated attempts to come to mutually satisfactory arrangements with Italy practically over the head of the League.

Appeal To Students

Gandhiji's advice to the students of the Gujarat Vidyapith to help village industries deserves to be taken to heart by students all over the country. By using khaddar and such other products of village industries they can contribute much to rural uplift about which there is so much talk among students, as among others, but about which so little is actually done. Moreover, students can spend their long vacations, like the mid-summer vacation, that is approaching, ideally by touring selected villages in their native districts. Such tours, as far as possible on foot, provide abundant pleasure, health and instruction, and will create in them a genuine interest in the duties they owe to their poor backward countrymen in the villages.

SIR DINSHAW WACHA

An Appreciation

(By D. G. DALVI).

It was my good fortune to have known Sir Dinshaw Wacha first during the sessions of the Bombay Congress of 1904. I had, since been closely associated with him in the work of the Indian National Congress, the Bombay Presidency Association and the National Liberal Federation and my respect and admiration for him soon grew into the veneration of a pupil sitting at the feet of the Master.

Regarded Politics as Religion.

The young generation of to-day is apt to regard Sir Dinshaw Wacha as a legendary figure of Indian public life, to be placed in the niche in the national Pantheon and not meant for emulation by the public workers of the day. Though he withdrew from the public gaze five years ago, I hope, the shining example of a noble life will ever remain as a source of inspiration for patriotic service of the motherland. Sir Dinshaw Wacha belonged to a generation of publicists nurtured in the school of Dadabhai Naoroji. In fact, there is a close parallel between the Father of Indian Nationalism and his disciple and associate, Sir Dinshaw Wacha. Born of the people, they both spent themselves in the service of the people. Born poor, they both went through life without aspiring for help and power. They were both pure and clean in their personal as well as public life. Both had made it the mission of their life to draw the attention of their countrymen pointedly to the economic effects of British rule in India. Neither of them spoke or wrote without facts or figures to support their argument. The one thing they hated most was to indulge in vague generalisations or a mere appeal to claptrap and sentiment. Both regarded their politics as religion and their religion as politics. It has become a mere cant to-day to talk of "spiritualising politics." It was Dadabhai Naoroji first, and Sir Dinshaw Wacha only next to him, who, in their daily life, really lived up to that ideal.

His Two-Fold Mission.

In all his public activities, whether in the Municipal Corporation, in the Council chambers or on the platforms of the National Congress or the Liberal Federation, there is one thread running, one common purpose visible, viz: to educate the Indian public into a clear perception of the existing conditions of India on one hand, and to rouse the sense of justice and fairplay of the Britisher on the other. He never lost sight of this two-fold mission of his life. He went to London to give valuable evidence before the Parliamentary Commission on India's financial relations with England, known as the Welby Commission. He was in regular correspondence with the British statesmen like Sir W. Wedderburn and a host of Cabinet members and retired Viceroys and Governors, keeping them abreast of all that was happening in India, at the same time, that he laboured assiduously in offering fearless but informing criticism of public measures in India. In fact, the leaders of the Congress had this dual end in view. They strove hard to bring on a common platform leaders of public opinion in India, so that the criticism they offered and the remedies they suggested should go forth with the united voice of the country behind them. They never lost sight of the fact that the emancipation of India had to be worked out, at long last, in England and through the British Parliament. Dominion Self-government was the goal of the Congress and it was in the spirit of that faith that Sir Dinshaw Wacha had been working all along. That was the sheet-anchor of his faith in Great Britain and in his own countrymen. That was the "raison de etre" of his unswerving faith in constitutional methods of agitation.

Indian First.

Though Sir Dinshaw Wacha was a Parsi by birth and had in him all the good qualities of his community, I may particularly note that, in his life and conduct, as I have known it, he ever lived as an Indian and a nationalist, without showing any bias for a particular community. In fact, his best friends and co-workers were, for the most part, outside his own community. He had the highest appreciation and regard for his friends like Ranade, Telang and Gokhale. He counted among his daily associates and fellow-workers men like Sir Narayen Chandavarkar, Sir Chimanlal Setalwad, N. V. Gokhale and N.M. Samarth. I can recall a number of instances

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Voting On Das's Bill

Amusing Incidents In The Bombay Council Recalled

By K. F. NARIMAN. II.

Whilst we can appreciate the mandatory claims of a constituency or a party to demand an explanation from a member, we really cannot understand the preposterous claims and demands of the 'Treasury benches' to ask for explanations from elected members, as regards the choice of their vote. It was amazing temerity on the part of responsible Cabinet members to rebuke openly and publicly Sir Cowasji Jehangir and Sir Homi Mody for preferring to vote on a popular issue on the popular side. Even nominated members have, at least in theory, a constitutional right to exercise their votes against Government if and when they conscientiously feel inclined. To question the right of an elected member to vote against Government and to take him to task, as if thereby he had committed some grave breach of official mandate or departmental discipline not only betrays preposterous official arrogance, but also exposes the bogus and unreal nature of the present Assembly and the Constitution. Why should these elected members have condescended to reply or render an explanation of their supposed misconduct? How often have these worthy representatives of the people deliberately and knowingly voted against the expressed mandate and will of the people, without being called upon to give any explanation to their real masters—their electors and voters?

Right Reply

Instead of a submissive humiliating and apologetic explanation, thereby indirectly admitting the relation of a boss and a subordinate, the only befitting reply to these insulting queries should have been to tell these official intruders to mind their own business. An elected member is only a trustee of his vote for his electorate and the only authority to which he is answerable is his constituency that has returned him. How often has even a nominated member like Mr. N. M. Joshi voted against Government even on vital issues, and still none from the treasury benches dare question him, though they have even a better and more plausible claim over his vote than over that of any elected member! The more assertive, self-respecting and independent you are, the less arrogant and intruding will the bosses be.

Incidents In Bombay Council

This Delni episode reminds me of several such tragic-comic incidents in the Legislative playhouse of our Presidency during the regime of the then General-Member, the Hon. Sir Cowasji Jehangir. There were many games of hide and seek between the Sind bloc and the Government Whip. Most of these members from that fertile and healthy valley of the Indus were physically robust, strong like miniature giants in appearance, with the height of a Sind desert camel, and breadth of Mysore 'baby' elephant. Militant in appearance but helpless in action, they were blissfully ignorant of any language, current in the Council. English, Marathi, Gujrati or in some cases, even Urdu and Hindi were all Greek to them, hence they never worried about any actual business in the Council, most of their time was passed in the tea-room. They would only flock together like a herd of sheep as soon as the voting bell rang, and their shepherd, the Government Whip, came to escort them into the Government voting cabin, which they described as 'Sarkari Darvaza.' Still there were tense moments in that dull House, when even their sluggish and lethargic political conscience was roused, and they felt a bit concerned and agitated over certain Council debates and displayed some interest in voting. A batch of about six or seven of them expressed great sympathy for my resolution of inquiry into the Development Department scandals; thereby they felt they, too, might escape some of the Sukkur Barrage ravages in their own land.

"Hide And Seek"

The contest was very keen, tension on both sides was very high, the voting was expected to be very close, the Whips on both sides were alert and vigilant, busy collecting and calculating their respective strength, as each vote counted at such a crisis. This faithful but wavering batch of Sindis for once summoned courage and, come what might, they decided at least not to walk into 'Sarkari Darvaza' against my resolution. Openly to defy the Government was out of question, though all of them were elected representatives. To remain in the House and to keep neutral was also a fate beyond their capacity or courage; hence they hit upon a clever but rather timid plan, and shortly before the close of the debate quietly escaped from the Council Hall at Poona, and hid themselves behind 'the peons' quarters in a remote, obscure corner of the extensive compound. As was expected, on the close of the debate, the Division was demanded, the bell rang and the Government Whip, with the register and roll-call, was searching every nook and corner to trace the escaped "convicts." Telephones were sent and cars rushed to hotels and clubs and a dozen peons dispersed about to encircle the Council Hall to trace the missing members, as if they were hunting for a gang of violent and dangerous escaped dacoits. At last the eagle eye of the Government Whip discovered them in their hiding place. Still the detected victims made a last desperate effort to escape, and they all knelt down, pretending to offer 'Nimaz,' hoping thereby that the 'Sab' will not dare to disturb them in their prayers; but even this ruse failed; the furious Whip collared them quickly and hurried them back to be just in time to record their votes against the resolution; still the Government was defeated by one vote.

The poor, helpless and captured members subsequently narrated their exploits and apologetically explained their helplessness in the matter. Though this reads like a cinema thrill, still I assure you that this legislative humorous episode actually took place before our eyes in the Poona Council Hall.

Coercion

On another occasion, an ab-

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Frankly Speaking

CHALLENGE TO CONGRESS

In his address to the C. P. Legislative Council on Thursday Sir Hyde Gowan, the Governor, appealed to Congressmen not to non-co-operate with Government in the working of the new Constitution. And his argument in support of the appeal was that as the present constitution has stood, for the past 15 years, "unshaken as a lighthouse stands unshaken in a storm against all the attacks which have been launched against it," even so will the new Constitutions stand, and opposition to it can only harm those who oppose. Congressmen will cheerfully accept the challenge implied in these words. They do not want to harm themselves or the country, being the children of the soil. The Congress has been far stronger during the present decade than it was ever before and, in any case, it regards it as a duty to reject a constitution inimical to the interests of the country. And the Congress knows, too, that it is bound to win.

A SOUND PRINCIPLE

In an interview to the Associated Press H. H. the Aga Khan suggested, as part of his uplift programme, a sound principle of taxation, that the rich should be taxed for the sake of the poor. This is precisely what the Congress and many Socialists have always urged. Taxation according to capacity to pay is the soundest canon of taxation and most equitable. But things are strangely inverted in this unhappy country. For instance the incidence of the salt tax on the rich is negligible but it weighs heavily on millions of poor men, who cannot afford to use enough salt for the well-being of themselves and their cattle. Yet Government must stick on to this unjust tax and would even let huge quantities of God-given natural salt run to waste rather than permit the poor people to use it freely.

WANTED AN APOLOGY

It is something that both Government and the City Coroner admit the objectionable character of the remarks which the latter has been making against the Gujerati community with regard to stove accidents. It would have been more decent for the Coroner to have tendered an apology through the Home Member. He can and should do so at an early date in his own court. His good intentions and extreme sensitiveness can be no excuse for libellous remarks against a whole community. At the same time the question of devising means to avert fatal accidents in the use of stoves should be more seriously considered by all concerned than it has been so far.

HEALTH OF THE PRESIDENCY

The annual health report of the Bombay Presidency for the year 1934 shows that the death rate of the Presidency rose slightly from 24.79 per thousand of the population in 1933 to 25.42, in the year under report. This rise in spite of a decrease in the two epidemic diseases, viz., plague and smallpox, shows that the death-rate in the Presidency is affected chiefly by the deaths from the normal or non-epidemic diseases, which, in their turn, are affected, to a larger extent than the epidemic diseases, by the general vitality of the people and their sanitation. The main conclusion to be drawn from these figures is that the most effective way to reduce mortality permanently is to improve sanitation in general and the quality of the staple diet of the people, particularly of children.

"SVADESHI"

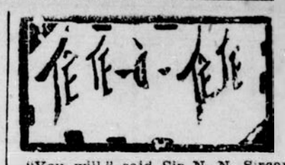
'Svadeshi", the useful official organ of the All-India Svadeshi Sangha, which had to close publication in 1934, has made a welcome re-appearance with Mr. L. G. Khare as its honorary editor. The journal, as before, is devoted to the promotion of the spirit of Svadeshi, the encouragement of Indian manufacturers and the dissemination of useful information about the progress of indigenous industries. Its scope, however, is not restricted merely to a record of the Svadeshi movement in its strictly economic aspect, and, as an editorial note points out, "it will take also under review all questions involving national regeneration and the elevation of national self-respect". As such, we hope, it will appeal not only to its old patrons, who will naturally welcome its re-appearance, but will also gain many fresh readers who will find in "Svadeshi" a journal that is useful as well as interesting with bright and informative articles.

The Indian Team

To The Editor of "The Chronicle."

Sir,—I am surprized to find that in the final selection of players for the English tour, the Cricket Control Board could not give a chance to an all-rounder like Mr. C. S. Nayudu. He has past bright record and also against the Aussies in their recent tour in India, whenever he has played he has left a mark which can be proved from batting and bowling analysis. Moreover, he is a very good fielder, a qualification which our cricket badly lacks. I do not think it is probable that he should have turned down an offer of the C. C. Board, unless he has some serious reason. Even the Australians, in their probable selection for the English Tour, gave third place to Mr. C. S. Nayudu. So many people wonder at this unusual fact that the Cricket Control Board will oblige the public by an early explanation.—Yours, etc.

D. K. DESAI.



"You will," said Sir N. N. Sircar to Mr. Satyamurti, "change completely when you become a Minister."

The implied confession does credit to the Law Member's courageous loyalty to truth.

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WHY NOT "SAY TA"?

When some official M.L.A. helped Mr. Lalchand Navalrai with a reference in the Cr. P. Code, the Law Member said "Say, thank you," and Mr. Lalchand Navalrai obediently complied with the maternal order.

We are inclined to congratulate Sir Nripendra on the smooth success with which Mr. Navalrai is responding to his new upbringing.

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Mr. Lalchand Navalrai asserted that telegrams—re his Neutrality on the Das Bill—from his constituents was inspired by the Congress.

That would have pleased the Law Member immensely.

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And when the promising and precocious Sind M.L.A. declared "I thought there was more decency on that side," the Law Member, along with his colleagues, must have positively thrilled with delight and pride.

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By the way, what do the Leader, the Chief Whip and members of the "Nationalist" Party say to Mr. Lalchand Navalrai's charges?

Any way, "decency" is rather good, especially when urged by the Sind Member in respect of his very decent conduct.

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Captain Lalchand (Nominated) said that so far as violent crime went, his community stood on top in the Punjab.

It is, however, not correct to suggest that the Home Member is thinking of interning Captain Lalchand in one of the Punjab prisons, if not the Andaman Cellular Jail. The gallant Captain rightly enjoys the immunity which he deserves for bringing such valuable informa[illegible]

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ART OF JI-JITSU.

Japanese Experts' Demonstration In Bombay

Headlines.

He ought to watch Treasury Benches in Bombay and Delhi for valuable pointers—though they may be outside the rules of the game.

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Dr. Khan Sahib says that the transfer of Khan Abdul Ghaffar Khan to some Frontier jail will prove much beneficial to his health.

Possibly, possibly, but the point is irrelevant.

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The Aga Khan, says a Lucknow message, refused to label the unity talks he had at Delhi as a "political conversation."

How about "political stunt"?

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If, said His Highness, Hindus and Muslims came to an understanding he saw no reason why the Government of India Act could not be revised to make joint electorates possible.

Why, there are just as many reasons—irrational though—as there are members of the Muslims conference and the Hindu Mahasabha. But the Aga Khan can't see. It would be against the laws of Physics.

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"Strange Alliance" is the heading to the Berlin report of an alleged anti-Nazi plot of Catholics and Communist.

There is really nothing strange about it. The allegation emanates from official Nazi sources.

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France, according to a Paris message, is seriously pondering whether Italy will refuse to enter international obligations until the sanctions are raised.

But, unfortunately, it seems that Italy has failed to take the hint. How aggravating!

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The British Government, says a B. O. W., will prefer March 2 as the date for the next meeting of the Committee of 18.

Why not April 1"?

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After spending seventeen minutes over Mr. Himansu Rai's statement on that very attractive title "Mian-Biwi" we feel we must offer our sympathies to him. He has been needlessly alarmed. And in that state of agitation he has done an injustice to an elegant Urdu expression which conveys precisely what Mr. Himansu Rai is at pains to explain and emphasize.

And this is the only mistake that he needs to correct, by the simple process of re-assuring himself.

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An actress of ripe experience was trying to impress a novice with her knowledge of the stage.

"I could give you a few wrinkles," she remarked, condescendingly.

"Yes; and never miss 'em," said the pert little horror.

Students Resist Jap. Inroads Into China

People's Emancipation Struggle Begins

Branded As Communist Every Effort Is Made To Crush Movement

SHANGHAI, Jan. 15.

The Peiping student movement against the surrender of North China to the Japanese via the Hopei-Chahar Autonomous Council, has passed the demonstration stages which started on December 9th and 16th. The movement which has fanned to life the crushed national liberation movement of the country, has now passed to the stage of the organization and education of the Chinese people.

Both the Japanese and Chinese authorities are branding the movement as Communist and are doing everything possible to crush it. The fact remains, however, that even in its present limited form, the Peiping Students Movement is the only body of Chinese public opinion in North China, the only one respected by the Chinese people. A student leader recently reported that "This is the beginning of a life-long struggle for the emancipation of the Chinese people. The day's work is unbelievably heavy because so much has to be done as soon as possible. Believe me, I am not complaining."

Peiping, January 3.—General Sung Chen-yuan, head of the puppet Hopei-Chahar Political Council, has just taken oath as Governor and Pacification Commissioner and has given orders for the complete smashing of the student movement. Yesterday, January 2, many students were arrested in various parts of the city. Many educational institutions are being surrounded by police and searched while the police have tried to empty some university buildings by sending armed forces to drive the students out by force of arms.

WITHIN CITY WALL.

The Peiping Students Union denounces any students who pretend to speak in their name at the conference with General Chiang Kai-Shek in Nanking. Instead, brigades of men and women are pouring through North China, lecturing to, and organising the people. Wherever they go, they form National Liberation Associations. Some of these brigades have appeared on market days in towns and villages where thousands of peasants had gathered. They immediately called mass meetings. In the market town of Ma T'ou an old peasant woman appeared with the students on the platform as a speaker. In the town of Ku-an in Hopei province, where brigades of Tientsin and Peiping students met, the police closed the city gates to prevent their entry. 1,000 Ku-an students called mass demonstrations inside the city wall, and before the day had finished had organised a National Liberation Association within the city wall, while crowds gathered to hear the students without.

Fascist Spies Captured

Shanghai, Jan. 14.—Student representatives from Peiping and Tientsin arrived in Shanghai on January 12. The student movement against the Japanese invasion and separation of North China is continuing unabated in the universities and schools of Shanghai and Nanking. By order of the authorities, schools are beginning vacations so as to disperse the students. A hunting off of fascist spies among the student bodies is going on. In Futan University the fascist students are trying, through their official and police connections, to close the school. In this university 10 fascist students were captured by the students and marched around the school compound, branded as traitors of the national liberation cause of the Chinese people. These fascists admitted they were traitors who were paid for spying and disorganising the student movement. All students who are forced to leave the schools and go to their homes in the towns and villages are organised into three groups. They choose whether they want to lecture, organise or train the people in their community. This is a means of carrying out their propaganda and telling the people about the aims of their struggle. The students who remain in school carry on propaganda and hold lectures. Others carry on personal training in study groups, lectures by invited specialists, and technical training, such as first aid, radio operating, etc.

In China to-day the term "Lan I-shang" (Blue Shirt of Fascist) is equivalent to traitor.

AN APOLOGY.

In Nanking, students have forced apologies from a high government official for the policy of the authorities in attempting to suppress the students movement. According to the Shanghai "Nichi-Nichi," a huge demonstration was recently staged there by more than 3,000 students who marched to the mausoleum of Dr. Sun Yat-sen shouting "Down with Japanese Imperialism". The aim of the demonstration was to call the attention of the public to the national crisis. During the demonstration, scores of policemen were sent by the authorities to safeguard the Japanese Consulate-General at Nanking. Answering the demands of the Japanese authorities for the suppression of the student movement, the Nanking leaders assured them that Japanese citizens would be protected by the Chinese police.

In Hangchow

Hangchow, Jan. 14.

In Chekiang University in Hangchow, the capital of Chekiang province, the student body is well organised with military discipline. Guards against spies are posted around the University. One night these guards as well as most of the student leaders were arrested. However, the student body was not disorganised. Immediately a new election of leaders took place and all the students marched in a mass demonstration to the government authorities. They demanded the immediate release of the arrested, and an official apology for the illegal arrest. The authorities had to comply with both these demands.

The president of Chekiang University resigned. He was forced to do so by student pressure, because the students alleged that it was he who was responsible for the arrest of the guards and student leaders.

In Canton

Canton, Jan. 14.

In Canton, the traditional centre of the Chinese National Liberation movement, the students responded at once with the greatest solidarity to the cause of the Peiping students by joining their struggle. As the educational authorities of the provincial government interfered with the student movement, great masses of students marched to the educational department of the Government demanding an apology.

The students organised themselves as the "Canton Municipality People's National Liberation Corps." A whole regiment of troops was ordered to camp around Sun Yat-sen University. The chancellor of the University, Chow Lu, has been forced to resign. The authorities have ordered the closing of the schools.

Japanese Banner

Shanghai, Jan. 14.

While continuing with the separation of North China by means of the so-called autonomy movement, the Japanese are at present very active in staging two new autonomous regions, one in 'Fukien' and the other in 'Shantung' province. The Shanghai "Sin Wen Pao" reports from Amoy that Japanese are purchasing farm lands in the interior of Fukien province and are preparing to build a military aerodrome on the Fukien coast. In the North, the Japanese are staging a revival of the "independence movement" in Tientsin. They are preparing a "General People's Assembly" for the end of this month, with one delegate from each hsien in the two provinces Hopei and Chahar and 20 delegates each from Peiping and Tientsin. The Independent Autonomous Government shall then be formed as a result of this General People's Assembly. In North Chahar 5 hsien have declared this region to be an "autonomous" base for an independent "Inner Mongolia."

Japanese Reaction

SHANGHAI, January 14.

The fundamental cause of the present nation-wide student movement in China is the Japanese invasion and dismemberment of China. The great action of the students throughout all China which has met with the strongest popular support and sympathy has caused uneasiness in the Japanese imperialist camp. This is shown very clearly by the attempts of the local Japanese press to brand this as a Communist movement. At the same time, they hold the British, the Americans and even Chiang Kai-shek responsible for this movement. Only the Japanese remain as the innocent bystanders who are allegedly in sympathy with the "deceived" students. Let us review this Japanese attitude by quotations from the local Japanese press!

The "Shanghai Nippo" dated January 11, 1936, states that since December 9, 1935 the movement of students has developed into a movement of the national masses, and even into a movement of women. "At the very beginning of the movement in Peiping the students burst out with pure patriotic sentiments. We cannot but express our respect to a certain extent to the students of China who played the role like the youthful patriots during the reconstruction period of the Meiji regime in Japan. They should be regarded as people with whom it is worth sharing the responsibility of maintaining the peace in the Orient."

"However, the movement was soon transformed into a political movement under Communist leadership, in order to prevent Japan from further expanding her influence. The Blue Shirts (Fascist bands which are, of course, the enemies of the Communists, Ed.) tried also to make use of the student movement to revise the Japanese idea of the autonomy movement in North China."

However, in spite of the very strong Japanese sympathy for the students, the "Shanghai Nippo" demands from the Nanking Government the complete suppression of the movement. In conclusion the "Nippo" urges the Japese authorities and people to be alert and to think clearly on the present situation, when the Communists, the pro-British and pro-American cliques are driving a wedge between Japan and China.

In another editorial of the same paper, dated January 12, the pro-British and pro-American groups are accused of pulling the wires behind the student movement. "Taking advantage of each social disturbance," the paper continues, "the Communists use this to make their propaganda for a social revolution. However, General Chiang Kai-shek seems to have paid attention to this fact and watches seriously the further development of the student movement."

Japano-German Alliance

SHANGHAI, Jan. 14.

The "Shun Pao", the largest Chinese daily in Shanghai, states in an editorial commenting on the Japano-German military alliance: "Both Japan and Germany are at present imperialistic countries. Both of them have a highly developed military power. Both of them have defied League of Nations. They are also destroyers of international peace pacts. The two countries have a common goal, a common purpose. By raising

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WEAVING PRIZE FOR U. P.

Wooden Jacquard-Loom Carries Award At A. I. Exhibition

PATNA, February 20.

The Special Committee appointed by the Textile Conference after having examined the various devices exhibited at the All-India Weaving Exhibition and Competition now going on here, recommended that the prize of Rs. 500/ for the best original device for hand-weaving should go to the United Provinces.

The wooden Jacquard-loom combined with the dobby exhibited by the United Provinces fulfilled the test.

In addition to the prize of Rs. 500 silver medals were also recommended to be given to Bombay for its "dobby" and to Mysore for its automatic loom.

Lady Sifton will award medals and give away prizes and certificates to the successful exhibitors on February 22.—United Press.

FIRES IN COAL-FIELDS

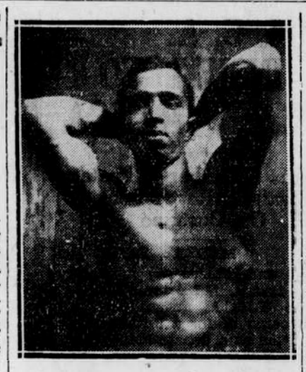
Conference Regulations Circulated To Associations

(From Our Correspondent.)

NEW DELHI, Feb. 21.

Regulations drawn up at the Conference which considered the fire in the Jharia Coalfields are being despatched to various Associations concerned for their view.

The Associations will reply within a fortnight so that the Government of India may proceed to give legislative effect to the decisions of the Conference. The reason why expedition is necessary is that all measures must be taken before the monsoon begins when water, while percolating, carries dangerous gases.



Mr. N. K. Apte, instructor of the Bombay Physical Culture School, and his pupils will give a public demonstration of feats of strength and acrobatics at the Victoria Theatre, Grant Road, from 9 a.m. to 12 noon on Sunday, 23rd instant.

TOKIO OUTRAGE

Aged Japanese Professor Shot At In His Residence

TOKIO, Feb. 21.

A man invaded the residence of aged professor Minobe and fired several shots. Prof. Minobe was wounded in the leg before the assailant was overpowered by the police.

Minobe was formerly a professor of Constitutional Law at the Tokio University. His theory that the Emperor is the organ of the State not possessing absolute Sovereignty caused a political upheaval last autumn, culminating in his resignation from the House of Peers.

Government's repudiation of his theory was expected to prove an important factor in yesterday's general election in Japan which passed off quietly.—Reuter.

GERMAN PROTEST TO SWISS GOVT.

Note Stresses Inadmissibility Of Ban On Nazis

BERLIN, Feb. 20.

The German Minister has been instructed to send a note to the Swiss Government energetically protesting against the decision of the Swiss Federal Council prohibiting all Nazi organisations in Switzerland.

It is stated that the note stresses the inadmissibility of the Swiss step, and protests against the political demonstration underlying this procedure.

Germany's Short-Term Debts

A standstill agreement in Germany's short term debts expiring February 29, has prolonged till another year the debts dropped during the year from 140 million sterling to 108 million.

Italy is not participating in the new agreement as her small credits are now paid.

ASSAM'S CASE BEFORE SIR OTTO

SHILLONG, Feb. 21.

The Official Representatives of the Assam Government who have been deputed to put Assam's case before Sir Otto Niemeyer at Calcutta have, it is understood, pressed for a subvention of one crore and twenty-five lakhs of rupees annually, besides wiping off the debt amounting to more than two crores to the Central Government.

These Official Representatives, who have recently returned here, are reported to have formed the impression as a result of their discussions with Sir Otto Niemeyer that the Assam Government's debt to the Central Government may be totally remitted, but there is hardly any hope of subvention beyond Rs. 60 lakhs annually.—United Press.

ASSAM SECRETARIAT BUSY

SHILLONG, Feb. 21.

Preparations are going on in full swing in the Reforms Department of the Government Secretariat here in view of the general elections to the Provincial Counsil under the New Reforms, which have been decided to be held in January 1937.—United Press.

Two railway workmen were killed, four others injured in an accident to the Assam Mail train between Mirpur and Bhairamara stations on the E. B. Railway on Thursday evening. The mail jumped on points and ran into a Siliguri Goalundo train which was on the second line. No passengers were injured.

"ELDERS" WANT LONGER LIFE?

Members' Move For Deputation To Wait On Viceroy

NEW DELHI, February 21.

A move is being sponsored by some members of the Council of State to lead a deputation to the Viceroy to extend the life of the Council of State.

It is understood that at a meeting of the members of the Council of State held yesterday no final decision in this connection was arrived at.

The view that elections to the Council should not be held during the hottest month of June or during the rainy months of July and August, is shared by a majority of elected members. Alternatives are being considered either to urge for elections during November next along with new provincial elections or to have them at the end of August.

Both these causes, however, imply further extension of the term of the Council of State, which the Government of India are not likely to approve.

A suggestion to approach Sir Jagdish Pershad, Leader of the House, to lead a deputation to the Viceroy, in this connection is also being considered.—United Press.

SYNTHETIC RUBBER PROBLEM

BERLIN, Feb. 20

The "Germania", commenting on Herr Hitler's claim that Germany has solved the synthetic rubber problem, admits that natural rubber is considerably cheaper than synthetic, of which at present only 600 tons, producing monthly will face Germany's total requirements of 6,000 tons, but prophesies that sensational results of artificial manufacture, eventually, will effect the structural changes in the International rubber market.—Reuter.

"SANCTIONS" TELL ON FRENCH TRADE

(Special Cable)

PARIS, Feb. 20.

Substantial contraction in French trade with Italy resulting from the application of the League sanctions is indicated by the January returns which show imports from Italy as only four million francs compared with 35 million francs in January 1935, while exports, eighteen and a half million compared with seven million francs.

DOCUMENT NOT TO BE PUBLISHED

LONDON, Feb. 20.

Departmental enquiries are being made into the circumstances of the leakage of the Maffey Document.

Meanwhile, it is officially pointed out that the report supports the British claim that Britain's backing of the League over the Abyssinian issue has been disinterested as shown, and that British interests were limited to Lake Tsana and the question of grazing rights.

It is understood, that the report contains findings of the Departmental Enquiry to examine British and Italian interests in Abyssinia. However, the precipitation of events when the League declared Italy aggressor superseded the report which was therefore not published. No diplomatic representations to Rome are likely.

The report was never communicated to Italy. The published version consists of a short and carefully selected extract from the report which is of a considerable length and will not be published despite Italian revelations. —Reuter's Special.

ANGLO-EGYPTIAN DISCUSSIONS

CAIRO, Feb. 21.

The public ceremony of inaugurating the Anglo-Egyptian discussions will be held on 2nd March.

The discussions proper will start on 9th March after the Bairam holidays.—Reuter's Extra Special.

VATICAN AND THE WAR

LONDON, February 21.

According to a report from a well-informed source the Vatican has requested Dr. Benes to act as an intermediary between Italy and the Powers, and Dr. Benes is reported to have replied asking for two conditions, namely, Italy should forward her minimum demands, and undertake to abide by the settlement.—Reuter.

M. FLANDIN'S ATTITUDE.

PARIS, February 21.

M. Flandin is not expected to take the initiative as regards sanctions, at Geneva, but will follow the majority, even if it means new sanctionist drive.—Reuter.

'Quake Shock Rocks Osaka

Tremor Lasts For 10 Seconds

Business In Exchanges Temporarily Suspended

OSAKA, February 21.

The Stock and cotton yarn Exchanges have temporarily postponed the opening following a somewhat severe earthquake shock lasting nearly ten seconds this morning.

Telegraphs and telephones were interrupted, but the casualties are believed to be few.

Three are known to be dead.

Dozens of fires broke out, but were soon controlled.

Minor damage was done in Kobe and Nagoya.

—Reuter.

NEXT CONGRESS SESSION IN MAHARASHTRA?

Rajen Babu Supports Move

(From Our Correspondent.)

POONA, February 21.

"You can well rely on me", thus writes Babu Rajen Prasad in a letter addressed to Mr. Shanker Rao Deo, President of Maharashtra Provincial Congress Committee, regarding the next session of the Congress in Maharashtra.

It is understood that Bihar, Tamil Nad, Karnatak and Maharashtra will support Maharashtra's invitation for the next Congress; and informative circles hope that Maharashtra's invitation will find a good support at the Lucknow session.

If Maharashtra's invitation is accepted, it will have the honour of holding the Congress Session after a long period of 40 years.

BREACH OF MATCH DUTY ACT

Amendments Give More Powers To Collectors

(From Our Correspondent).

NEW DELHI, Feb. 21.

Further amendment has been made to the Mechanical Lighters (Excise Duty) Order, 1934. In the said order, Clause 24, the following is to be inserted, namely, '(1) mechanical-lighters in respect of which breaches of the Act, or of this order, have been committed shall together with the boxes, packing or wrappings thereof be liable to confiscation which may, without prejudice to the provisions of Clause 22, by the Collector, provided that when adjudging the confiscation the Collector shall give the owner the option to pay in lieu of confiscation such fine not exceeding Rs. 1,000 as he thinks fit in addition to the duty payable in respect of such lighters under the Act.

"Articles of which confiscation has been adjudged under Subclause (1) And in respect of which option of paying the fine in lieu of confiscation has not been exercised shall be sold, destroyed or otherwise disposed of in such manner as the Collector may direct, provided that the Collector shall not sell confiscated mechanical lighters at a price lower than the duty payable in respect of such lighters under the Act."

Auckland v. M. C. C.

AUCKLAND, Feb. 21.

In the three-day match between Auckland and M. C. C.; Auckland made 109 runs for one wicket (Wallace batting 68) when the play was stopped owing to very heavy rain.—Reuter.

A tiger measuring 7 feet 8 inches was shot dead at Jorhat, on Sunday last after it had been trapped by an ingenuous young man. The animal had killed a number of cattle during the last month.

The Anglo-Indian driver of the down Darjeeling mail fell off the engine on Friday morning, near Belghurrian, about ten miles from Calcutta, sustaining injuries to the collar bone. He is being treated in the local E. B. Hospital. As a result of the accident the train was detained about three-quarters of an hour.

JAP GARRISON IN N. CHINA DOUBLED

War Office Announces Imperial Sanction

TOKIO, Feb. 20.

The Japanese garrison in North China is to be doubled according to Japanese press.

The War Office announces that Imperial sanction has been obtained for the dispatch of two divisions to replace Japanese division at Harbin and Tsitsihar, and also a unit to replace a portion of the forces in North China garrison.

The date of the return of relieved troops is not announced.—Reuter.

SIR ALEXANDER CADOGAN FOR FOREIGN OFFICE

LONDON, Feb. 20.

Sir Hugh Montgomery Kuatchbull-Hugessen, the President Minister in Tehran, has been appointed Ambassador to China, in succession to Sir Alexander Cadogan, who has been appointed Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, in succession to Sir Victor Wellesley on retirement.—Reuter.

COMPETITIVE POLICE EXAM

Will Be Held At Six Centres In Sept

(From Our Correspondent).

NEW DELHI, Feb. 21.

The General Competitive Examination for admission to the Indian Police will be held by the Public Service Commission at Allahabad, Bombay, Calcutta, Lahore, Patna, and Rangoon beginning on 1st September, 1936, and the following vacancies will be filled on the result thereof: U P. Bengal and Burma, one each; Bombay, Bihar and Orissa two each.

The Limited Competitive Examination will be held on the same date and jointly with the General Examination at Madras for one candidate from "other communities" including "depressed" classes, i.e., from the communities other than Brahmins, non-Brahmans, Hindus, Muhammadans, Anglo-Indians, Christians and Non-Asiatics. If however no applicant from the candidates belonging to "other communities" including "depressed" classes is successful an applicant from the Non-Brahmin, Hindu community, shall be appointed.

Sheffield Shield Match Final

ADELAIDE, Feb. 21.

In the final Sheffield Shield Match of the season Victoria were all out for 201 runs and Hassett made 73 (Ward five for 74).—Reuter.

An Indian Gentleman

of high standing established in England for over 18 years and working for some important States, now on a short visit to India, prepared to consider proposals to represent Indian firms on part expenses and commission basis. Highest Bank and trade references furnished. Please address replies to Box No. 5657, "Bombay Chronicle."

To Safeguard Interests Of Journalists

MOVE TO SET UP FEDERAL BODY

BOMBAY, Friday.

The Executive Committee of the Journalists' Association of India, Bombay, has issued the following statement regarding an All-India Federation of Journalists' Association in the country:—

"The Journalists' Association of India was established in Bombay about 15 years ago with the object of protecting and promoting the interests of journalism and journalists in India.

"Since its establishment it has had as its members journalists from different parts of the country, and the late Mrs. Besant and Mr. A. Rangaswamy Iyengar were its successive presidents.

"With the rapid growth of journalism and the increasing number of journalists in all parts of the country, it has been found that the interests of journalism and journalists can be most effectively served only by strong autonomous organisations in each province, affiliated to a federal body which will not have individual journalists as its members and whose headquarters will not be permanently located in one city.

NEED OF FEDERAL BODY.

"The Executive Committee of the Journalists' Association of India feel that neither of the two existing All-India bodies—the Journalists' Association of India, Bombay, and the Indian Journalists' Association, Calcutta—which have individual journalists of Bombay and Calcutta as their members, who naturally have a dominating voice in the administration of their affairs, can fulfil the purpose of a federal body.

"They are, therefore, shortly circulating to different provincial organisations a draft constitution for such a federal body; and if it meets with general approval, they will take steps to convert the Journalists' Association of India into a purely provincial organisation.

"They trust that the journalists in those provinces where no provincial organisations exist will bestir themselves and start such organisations, so that no time may be lost in bringing into being a federal body competent enough to speak in the name of journalists throughout the country and powerful enough to protect their rights and promote their interests."—A.P.

Three Years For Breach Of Bengal Cr. L. A. Act

CHITTAGONG, Feb. 20.

The Sadar Sub-Divisional Magistrate delivered judgment in the case against Ratneshwar Sil of Durgapur sentencing him to 3 years' rigorous imprisonment for violating a Government order under the Bengal Criminal Law Amendment Act to appear before the S. P. of Chittagong, and to 6 months' rigorous imprisonment under each of the charges of violation of the Curfew Order and not possessing the identity card, the sentence to run consecutively. The accused was, however, acquitted on other charges, namely possessing red leaflets and a dagger.—United Press.

HAJ PILGRIMS

Vaccination Certificates Not Needed

(From Our Correspondent.)
NEW DELHI, Feb. 21.

As Bagdad has been free from plague the Quarantine authorities at Khurramshahr and Bushire have been instructed to discontinue the examination of travellers arriving from there and also to discontinue the examination of travellers from Iraq for the vaccination certificate for small-pox.

Amendment To Auditors Certificate Rules

(From Our Correspondent.)
NEW DELHI, Feb. 21.

The amendment of Rule 17 of the Auditors Certificate Rules 1932 providing for payment into the Reserve Bank of India of fees prescribed by these Rules has been published in the "Gazette of India" to-day.

Rs. 60 Fine For Unbanderolled Matches

MUZAFFARPORE, Feb. 20.

For being in possession of 441 unbanderolled match boxes, Ram-Khelawan Choudhury, a grocer of Hajipur, was convicted under Section 12 (2) of the Match (Excise Duty) Act and sentenced to a fine of Rs. 60 or in default two months' rigorous imprisonment.

The trial was held before the Sub-Divisional Officer of Hajipore. —United Press.

OFFICIAL & PERSONAL

Mr. W. E. Rootes arrived at Government House on Friday.

Mr. H. F. Knight, Dame Elizabeth Cadbury, Mrs. Greeves and Miss E. Lewis lunched at Government House on Friday.

SUPER TAMIL TALKIE
"ALLI-ARJUNA"
Featuring:—
ARYAGANA, K. S. ANANTHA NARAYANA IYER,
Miss KANTHI MATHI BAI,
L. NARAYANA RAO
at
PLAZA
SUNDAY, 23rd February in the MORNING at 10-30 A.M.
POSITIVELY LAST TIME!

SIR DINSHAW WACHA

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of young men of the Hindu community, trained by him for public life or whom, in their hour of need, he helped without stint from his slender purse. His generation of public workers were all distinguished by the outstanding trait that they were proud to own themselves as Indian first and everything else afterwards. In the days of the Minto-Morley Reforms Sir Dinshaw Wacha, like his friend Sir Pherozeshah Mehta, took a strong line against communal electorates and in the Memorandum they drafted on behalf of the Bombay Presidency Association, they strongly advocated, instead, a joint electorate with reservation of seats for only such minority communities as the Muslims. They foresaw the evil effects of the reactionary policy of the Government of India, the bitter fruits of which we are reaping in the Communal Award to-day.

Saintly Life.

Coming to the personal traits of Sir Dinshaw Wacha, I may lay stress on what I prefer to call, his saintliness. He lived a life of rigid discipline, scorning delights and living laborious days. His personal wants were few and he studiously avoided multiplying them to suit changing fashion. But for his pilgrimages in connection with the National Congress, he seldom sought rest and recreation out of the City of Bombay, which was the centre of his strenuous work throughout his long span of life. He was free from self-conceit and arrogance and, though occasionally impulsive and excitable, he had a kindly nature and forgot easily and forgave readily. Being truthful and honest, almost to a fault, he hated humbug and hypocrisy in every shape and form. His sense of friendship was abiding and loyal. Like his younger friend and colleague, the late Mr. Gokhale, he was always proud to own that he would rather be wrong with Sir Pherozeshah Mehthan right without him. He did not regard learning as a means to self-advancement. He was a publicist because he was first and foremost a student all his life. But his studies were not purely of an academic character, though they ranged over an extensive field. They were inspired by a strong desire, almost a passion, to attain through them the economic and political advancement of his country.

These traits sum up the character of Sir Dinshaw Wacha, as a publicist and a gentleman. If our country is to benefit by the new reforms, however inadequate and reactionary they may be, it is to men like him that we should be well-advised to look up in our day to day work in its service. The life and work of Sir Dinshaw Wacha is, in this respect, a shining example for our young men to follow, if they would serve the motherland, as he did in his generation, with such limited opportunities as were open to him.

In the dinner party given on 15th instant by the quarry contractor, Mr. Vishwanathrao Hanchate, Shahabad, of Bhavsar Kshatriya community, in honour of the marriage ceremony of his daughter, Harijans were also invited and an inter-dining with them was arranged.

A Ju Jitsu trick demonstrated by Prof. Takagaki at the Japanese Gymkhana, Bombay, on Wednesday.

Y. M. C. A. INSULT TO RANGA

Madras Member's Protest Against Restrictions On Costume

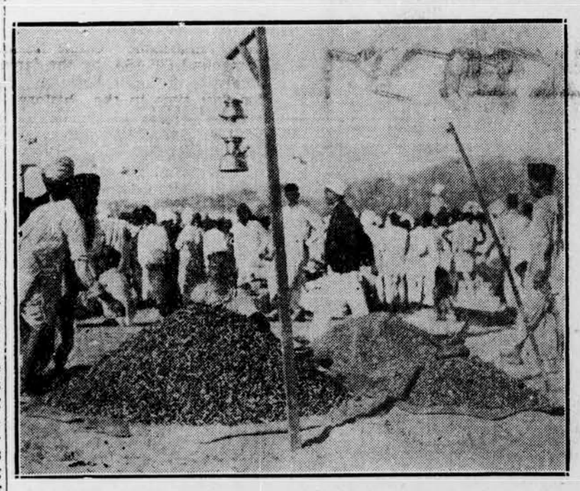
MADRAS, Feb. 21.

The undignified way in which Prof. Ranga, M.L.A. was treated by the Y.M.C.A. authorities at Simla came in for a strong denunciation at a debate held at the Madras Y.M.C.A. auditorium today.

A resolution appealing to the Y.M.C.A. authorities to discountenance the meaningless superiority complex of their Simla officials in unequivocal terms was also passed.

Many speakers explained that no restrictions should be imposed prohibiting national costume for admission to a public institution like the Y.M.C.A. They also reminded that Indians must not take insult lying down but protest strongly against any such attitude. —United Press.

Shivaratri scene at Chowpatty: A priest putting a sacred "Tilak" mark on a youngster's forehead for a small consideration, of course.



Vendors of sweatmeats and other foodstuffs did a roaring business on Chowpatty sands on Shivaratri day. Photo shows a vendor with his pile of groundnuts and fried "chana".

MUSLIM EDUCATIONAL PROBLEM

Conference Meets At Rampur

RAMPUR STATE (U. P.) Feb. 21.

Amidst scenes of Oriental splendour the 47th session of the All-India Muslim Educational Conference commenced here this morning in a packed pandal, attended by 5,000 Muslims, from all parts of the country.

Distinguished visitors included the Nawab of Chattari, Dr. Ansari, Mr. Asaf Ali, Honourable Nawab Sir Muhammad Yussuff, Sir Hassan Suhrawardy, Sir Wazir Hassan, Sir Syed Sultan Ahmed, Sir Shafaat Ahmed Khan, Sir Liaqat Ali Khan, Mr. Ahmed Ebrahim Haroon Jaffer of Poona, Sir Muhammad Yakub, Nawab Sardar Yarjung, Dr. Ziauddin Ahmed, Major Mumtaz Yarouddoula, Khwaja Hassan Nizami, Hon. Azizulhaq and Syed Ghulam Bhak Nairang.

His Highness Nawab Sahib of Rampur as the Chairman of the Reception Committee welcomed His Highness the Aga Khan the President and delegates.—A. P.

St. John Ambulance And Red Cross Meetings

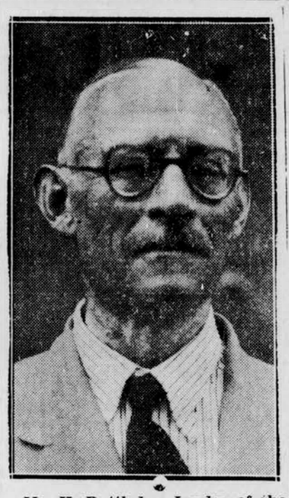
NEW DELHI, Feb. 21.

The combined annual general meeting of the St. John Ambulance Association, Indian Council, and the Indian Red Cross Society will be held at "The Viceroy's House," New Delhi, on Wednesday, March 25, 1936, at 4 p.m. Those desirous of attending should communicate with their respective Provincial or State Branches in order that their names may be sent in to head-quarters in time for the issue of formal invitations and reservation of seats at the meeting.—United Press.

Rampur, Asylum Of Eastern Traditions

RAMPUR, Feb. 21.

H. H. the Aga Khan, President of the All-India Muslim Conference, said, Muslims must not overlook the imperative need of examination of their educational position. Rampur had remained the asylum of eastern traditions, learning, scholarship, research and poetry and had the greatest oriental library in India.—A. P.



Mr. H. Ruttledge, Leader of the Everest Expedition.

ECONOMY IN POSTAL DEPT.

Issues Before To-day's Conference

(From Our Correspondent).
NEW DELHI, Feb. 21.

A Conference will be held tomorrow between Mr. Bewoor, Director-General of Posts and Telegraphs and representatives of Postal employees to discuss certain issues arising from the recommendations of the Pasricha Committee on economy in Post Offices. The recommendations of this Committee were reviewed at the Annual Conference held at Allahabad in August last under the auspices of all Postal and R. M. S. Union which was presided over by Mr. Giri, M.L.A.

The Conference after reviewing the recommendations of the Pasricha Committee made several observations with some of which the Government are stated to have expressed agreement. To-morrow's Conference is to discuss the remaining points such as separation of R. M. S. from Post Offices the recruitment of Superintendent's, the question of authorising branch postmasters to do independent registration and parcel work and employment of contractors for conveyance of mail in long distance lines.

Views to be put forward at tomorrow's Conference were discussed to-day among the representatives of the Unions assembled in Delhi. To-morrow's Conference will include Messrs. Giri, Anugharanarayan Sinha, Harkaranath Misra, S. C. Joshi and Ghish.

Deterrent Punishment For Ticketless Travellers

Central Advisory Council Proposes To Amend Railway Act To Make Offence Cognisable

(From Our Correspondent).
NEW DELHI, Feb. 21.

The problem of ticketless travel on railways will be discussed tomorrow at a meeting of the Central Advisory Council for Railways.

The question of amending the Indian Railways Act so as to make it a cognisable offence for a person to travel without proper ticket has been under consideration of the Government since 1923. The adoption of the "crew system" of ticket checking on railways was discontinued as it did not prove to be entirely satisfactory. The Indian Railway Conference recommended in 1927 a campaign to combat the evil by authorities of all railways but the measures taken by the railways merely resulted in increased expenditure on staff which had correspondingly a smaller net return. Mr. Pope (of the London-Midland and Scottish Railway) recently suggested that effective steps should be taken against persons who were obviously taking advantage of the laxity of the existing law.

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS

To-morrow's meeting is to discuss the desirability of amending the following sections of the Railway Act. Firstly, Section 68 to permit the removal from a railway carriage of a person without proper ticket. Secondly, Section 112 to provide for more deterrent punishment for person found without proper ticket and to place on him the onus of showing that he had no intention to defraud. (At present the maximum punishment is fine of Rs. 100. The proposal is to provide for a sentence of imprisonment in addition to fine). Thirdly, Section 113 to make it clear that a Magistrate dealing with care in which a passenger refuses to pay excess charge and fare due, has no authority to enter into the merits of the matter and provide for more deterrent punishment in such cases. Lastly, Sections 131 and 132 to provide for the arrest of a person committing an offence under Sections 112 and 113.

NO CUT IN JUTE PRODUCTION

Govt. To Explain Inability To Undertake Legislation

(From Our Correspondent.)
NEW DELHI, Feb. 21.

The Government of India are expected shortly to address the Jute Association intimating reasons for the Government's inability to undertake Jute Restriction Legislation and explaining their view regarding rationalization of the industry.

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Crop Of Surprises For Holiday Crowd

Rivalli Defeats Mass d'Antibes In C. N. Wadia Gold Cup

(By Our RacingCorrespondent)

A very large holiday crowd turned up at Mahaluxmi yesterday, when the Fourth Big Meeting provided a crop of surprises. If the outing proved expensive for the majority of punters, the racing was of a very high standard. Competition in the four cup events was so keen that the betting assumed a wide range.

Mr. A. C. Ardeshir and Mr. G. McElligot each recorded doubles and enjoyed the sport more than anybody else.

The victory of Rivalli in the C. N. Wadia Gold Cup created the greatest sensation witnessed in the history of racing in Western India. Ridden by G. Hutchins, who has returned to this side after a very long time, the son of Rivoli was regarded as a forlorn hope. In fact Rivalli's mission was to crack the pace for his stablemate Silver Plated. The Australian gelding jumped out first followed by the son of Silver Image and the pair established a lead of about forty lengths. Wilson on Mas d'Antibes and C. Hoyt on Play On were under the impression that the leaders would drop back when the race took a serious turn. This they failed to do and Mas d'Antibes set out to reduce the gap. In the straight Silver Plated tired a little but Rivalli kept going and

Bobb and Mrs. J. Boland (left) defeated Mrs. and Mr. Tew in the mixed Doubles final of the Western India Tennis Championships.

managed to respond to the whip as the favourite drew alongside like a steam engine. Amidst tremendous excitement Rivalli and Mas d'Antibes struggled to the winning post with Silver Plated also joining in the fray, and in a finish of short heads the verdict went in favour of the first named. Wilson was outmanoeuvred by the clever tactics which were planned by the Higgins brothers, the trainers of the winner and third horse. Mr. Ardeshir who won the trophy with Ethics last year, received numerous congratulations on his unexpected success, but he quite modestly declared that it was a lucky victory, and few will disagree with the statement.

The same owner brought off a big coup with Glanely, an Australian three year old in the Combermere Plate. Britt had an armchair ride on the son of Legionnaire, who was followed home by Irish Broadcast and Bachelor's Bard.

Clicquot Wins Rajpipla Cup

Sir Kenneth Gibson, who is often at sea in his classification, looked extremely surprised when Clicquot ran away with the Rajpipla Gold Cup. This Irish gelding comes with a good home record and he has proved that he was underrated by the handicapper by winning three races off the reel. Never off the bit Clicquot scored without effort from Dr. Strabismus and Tolerate. Count Ito was hemmed in on the rails and never could extricate himself from this precarious position.

Fearless Prince captured Div. I of the Colaba Cup after a great tussle with Benevento, the difference in the weights favouring the first named.

Selby rode a magnificent finish on Pin Money to win Div. II of the Colaba Cup. On Time had the race almost won up the straight until Pin Money came through the field to snatch the verdict.

The Daily Double paid Rs. 2,511. There was no winner for the Daily Treble and the sum of Rs. 3,680 has been carried over to next week.

THE SIR COWASJEE JEHANGIR PLATE.—(Div. II.)

Distance—1 Mile 1 Furlong

Winner Rs. 2,500; Second Rs. 750 Third. Rs. 500. A Handicap for Arabs in Classes I and II.

H. H. Maharaja of Kolhapur's KRISHNA, 7-13, Cook 1
Messrs A. Hoyt and A. J. Hoyt's ORIENT, 8-9, C. Hoyt 2
Mr. S. M. S. A. Hoosein's YONA, 8-7, Simmons 3
Mr. K. T. Sampat's BAHADUR AL IRAQ, 7-7, (cd. 7-8) Davison 4

Won by: 2 1/2 lengths, head, and short head.
Time: 2 minutes, 6 1/5 seconds.
First tote paid Rs. 45 for win, Rs. 20, Rs. 24 and Rs. 40 for places.
Not Run: The Knut (7-4).
Favourite Poppy Day (8-7).
Winner Trained by: V. V. Powar.

THE CUMBALLA PLATE.
(Division II)

Distance—6 Furlongs.

Winner, Rs. 2,500; Second, Rs. 750. Third, Rs. 500. A Handicap for Arabs in Classes 1 and II.

Mr. Sion F. Nessim's QUEEN SINGER, 9-3, Northmore 1
Mr. A. M. Khairaz's AMIR, 8-10, Wilson 2
Messrs D. D. Ghista and Esmail Ebrahim's SERHEED, 8-0, Burn 3
Mr. M. C. Patel's DANGER, 8-12, Blyth 4

Favourite:—Violence (8-6).
Won by: short head, 2 lengths, and 1/2 length.
Time: 1 minute. 21 3/5 seconds.
First Tote paid Rs. 306 for win, Rs. 80, Rs. 26 and Rs. 33 for places.
All Ran.
Winner trained by: S. M. Khemara.

THE RANDWICK PLATE.

Distance—About 1 1/2 Miles

Winner Rs. 4,000; Second Rs. 1,250; Third, Rs. 750. A Handicap for all Horses.

Messrs E. D. Pandole and M. Dhalla's KIRKIEOST, 7-7, Simmons 1
Messrs A. Higgins and N. D. Bagree's TIJIRO, 7-9, Britt 2
Mr. Eve's QUICK IMAGE, 8-2. Brace 3
Messrs D. M. Bhesle, D. A. Surve and M. S. Hakim's PRATAP SINHA, 8-2, Whittle 4

Won by: 3-2 lengths, head, and 2 1/5 lengths.
Time: 2 minutes, 37 4/5 seconds.
First Tote paid Rs. 417 for win, Rs. 103, Rs. 36 and Rs. 33 for places.
Not Run: Greek Glen (8-4).
Favourite:—The Earl (8-0).
Winner trained by M. Dhalla.

THE SIR COWASJEE JEHANGIR PLATE
(Division I.)

Distance—1 Mile 1 Furlong.

Winner, Rs. 6,000; Second, Rs. 2,000; Third, Rs. 1,000. A Handicap for Arabs in Classes I and II.

Mr. Sion F. Nessim's ARAB QUEEN, Northmore, 1
Mr. C. Temooji's HAZIMA, Britt 2
Mr. A. H. Ahmedbhoy's THE DUKE, Whittle 3
Mr. A. C. Ardeshir's SARSAM, Vatard 4

First Tote paid Rs. 59 for win; Rs. 23, Rs. 41 and Rs. 47 for places.
Not run: Iraq Gift 7-9.
Won by 1 length, 3/4 length, 2 lengths.
Time: 2mins. 5-3 5secs.
Favourite: Samra Layali 9-0.
Winner trained by: S.M. Khemara.

THE COMBERMERE PLATE.
Distance—6 Furlongs.

Winner Rs. 3,500; Second, Rs. 1,250; Third Rs. 500. A Handicap for Horses in Class III.

Mr. A. C. Ardeshir's GLANELY, 7-11, Britt 1
Mrs. M. Clarke's IRISH BROADCAST, 7-10, Davison 2
Mr. P. B. Avasia's BACHELOR'S BARD, 8-1, Northmore 3
Mr. E. S. Godfrey's MYRRH, 8-1, Graham 4

All ran.
Won by 1-1 1/2 lengths, 1-1/4 lengths, 2 lengths.
Time: 1 min. 13 secs.
First tote paid Rs. 51 for win, Rs. 25, Rs. 24 and Rs. 18 for places.
Winner trained by R. Higgins.

THE COLABA CUP
(Division II).
Distance—1 Mile.

A-Cup value Rs. 750, or in specie at the option of the winner, and Rs. 10,000 from the fund. Winner, the Cup and Rs. 7,000; Second Rs. 2,000; Third Rs. 1,000. A Handicap for Horses in Class II.

Mr. V. Rosenthal's PIN MONEY, 8-10, Selby 1
H. H. Maharaja of Rajpipla's ON TIME, 8-8, Burn 2
Mr. N. D. Bagree's HESPERITUS, 9-2, Scanlan 3
H. H. Maharaja of Kolhapur's GRAND WAZIR, 8-10, Cook 4

Not Run:—Carioca 8-13.
Won by neck, 1 length, neck.
Time: 1 min. 38-2/5 secs.
First tote paid Rs. 75 for win, Rs. 23, Rs. 24 and Rs. 28 for places.
Winner trained by O. Randall.

THE C.N. WADIA GOLD CUP
Distance—About 1 1/2 Miles

A Gold Cup value Rs. 3 000 and Rs. 18,500 from the fund.

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Mr. A. C. Ardeshir's RIVALLI, 8-11, Hutchins 1
Nawabzada Yeminul-Mulk's MAS D'ANTIBES, 9-6, Wilson 2
H. H. Maharaja of Parlakimedi's SILVER PLATED, 8-13, Munro 3
Messrs. A. Hoyt and A. J. Hoyt's PLAY ON, 9-8, C. Hoyt 4

Not Run:—Tolerate.
Won by short head, short head, 3 lengths.
Time: 2 mins. 37 3/5 secs.
First tote paid Rs. 168 for win, Rs. 35, Rs. 12 and Rs. 22 for places.
Winner trained by R. Higgins.

THE RAJPIPLA GOLD CUP
Distance.—1 Mile.

A Gold Cup value Rs. 2 500 presented by H. H. The Maharaja of Rajpipla and Rs. 25,500 from the fund. Winner, the Cup and Rs. 17,500; Second Rs. 5,000; Third, Rs. 3,000.

A Handicap for Horses in Class I

Messrs. G. McElligott and P. D. Bolton's CLICQUOT, 7-11, Whiteside 1
Mr. P. B. Avasia's DR. STRABISMUS, 7-4, Simmons 2
Messrs. G. McElligott and P. D. Bolton's TOLERATE, 9-3, Scanlan 3
H. H. Maharaja of Kashmir's RENTENMARK, 9-7, W. Sibbritt 4

All ran.
First tote paid Rs. 33 for win, Rs. 26, Rs. 43 and Rs. 47 for places.
Winner trained by E. S. Godfrey.

THE COLABA CUP.
(Division I)

Distance—1 Mile.

A Cup value Rs. 750, or in specie at the option of the winner, and Rs. 10,000 from the fund. Winner, the Cup and Rs. 7,000 second, Rs. 2,000; Third, Rs. 1 000.

A Handicap for Horses in Class II

Messrs. G. McElligott and G. C. R. Coleridge's FEARLESS PRINCE, 8-3 (carr. 8-4) C. Hoyt 1
Mr. N. D. Bagree's BENEVENTO, 9-4, Munro 2
H. H. Maharaja of Rajpipla's WOOLWORTH, 8-8. Graham 3
Mr. O. Randall's LADY BRENDAN, 8-5, Selby 4

Not Run:—Bedsocks 8-7, Rambler 7-4.
First tote paid Rs. 42 for win, Rs. 17, Rs. 16 and Rs. 30 for places.
Winner trained by A. Hoyt.

THE CUMBALA PLATE
(Division I.)
Distance—6 Furlongs.

Winner, Rs. 6,000; Second, Rs. 2,000, Third, Rs. 1,000. A Handicap for Arabs in Classes I and II

H. H. Dowager Maharani of Kolhapur's ADHBA II, 7-8, Whiteside 1
Mr. Hamid Jamoor's MUJBIL HATIM, 7-12, Cook 2
Dr. S. K. Pillay's BLANCHE, 7-13 (carr. 8-0) Burn 3
Mr. A C. Ardeshir's AZIZA, 7-5, Eritt 4

Not Run:—Pasha and Yawir Awar.
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Winner trained by Kisha Bapu.

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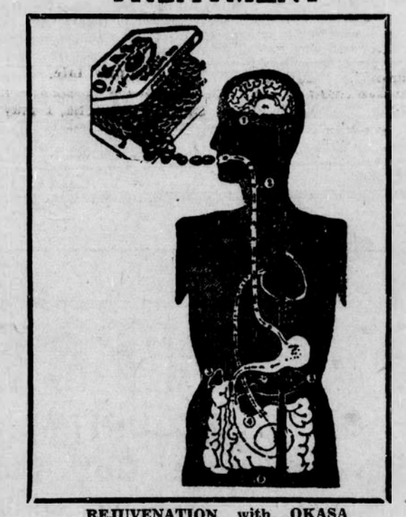

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Probable Thana Candidates For New Provincial Elections

(From Our Correspondent.)

THANA, Feb. 20.

It is understood that the following gentlemen will contest elections to the Bombay Legislatures, under the New Reforms:—

Mr. G. D. Vartak of Bassein, for the Assembly (national ticket).

Mr. V. V. Dandekar, of Phalghar, for the Assembly.

Mr. D. J. Zunzerao, M. L. C., for the Council (Non-Brahmin ticket).

Mr. D. W. Raut, Chairman of the Thana District School Board, for a seat reserved for backward communities (Non-Brahmin ticket).

Dacoits Rounded Up

(From A Correspondent.)

DAHANU, (By Mail.)

A gang of about 14 persons armed with swords and guns, was committing dacoities in small villages of Dahanu Taluka and Jawhar state, and were burning the account books of moneylenders and were looting them since last two years.

The Police Sub-Inspector of Dahanu recently rounded up them at Tava a village in Dahanu taluka.

Madhubhai Mills

(From A Correspondent.)

AHMEDABAD, Feb. 20.

A resolution for winding up of Madhubhai Mills having been passed, Mr. Natverlal N. Desai and Mr. J. P. Shah and others have filed a statement in the District Court opposing the winding-up of the mills.

VOTING ON DAS'S BILL

(Continued from Page 6.)

sentee Sind member was literally arrested by the D.S.P. whilst marketing in his town and despatched against his will direct from the station; his clothes and his luggage were subsequently sent by the same official. The excuse for this outrage was that Government could not spare his vote on a particular budget issue and he could only reach in time to vote by catching the first available train direct from the market. The victim was at first furious at this outrage and threatened to move an adjournment motion to protest against such 'zoolum' but the thought of serious consequences, resulting from such a move soon cooled his anger.

On a third occasion one of even these proverbially meek and submissive Sind members lost his patience and most pathetically gave the House in broken Hindustani, a vivid but tragic description of their helpless and desperate condition, stating that a register and statistics were kept of their votes, and treatment to them in their districts depended upon these records. For each vote against the Government, so many gallons of water were cut off from the lands, which meant complete destruction of their crops. To talk of freedom of vote or conscience under such distress and heart-rending conditions is all "bunkum" and more moon-shine and the irony of it is that all these sad comedies were enacted during the regime of Sir Cowasji Jehangir, then General Member of the Government of Bombay, though it must be frankly said in fairness to him that he himself, was, perhaps, ignorant of such official methods.

But even such conduct of the Sind Bloc, bad as it is, is still more excusable than the unpardonable lapses of more intelligent and independent, elected M.L.A's., in the present Assembly, who, having intelligence to understand right and wrong and possessing unrestricted power to exercise a free vote, still deliberately misuse it. The Sind M. L. C's., are to be pitied, as being victims of circumstances beyond their control but no such excuse can be pleaded by these M.L.A's. who betray the country's interest.

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OUR READERS' VIEWS

Married Women And Municipal Service

To The Editor of "The Chronicle."

Sir,—The report which has appeared in to-day's "Bombay Chronicle about my resolution in the Corporation that, "This house is of opinion that marriage should not be a bar for any lady to enter or continue in the Municipal service," is to my mind unjust to a certain extent because you have not given my reasons to bring such a motion, while you have stated the Commissioner's reply to it fully. It appears from the report that I brought that resolution although the Standing Committee had already laid down that principle "that marriage should not be a bar for Municipal service." On the contrary, I am quite aware that the Standing Committee had laid down that principle when a lady doctor, Miss Sundrabai Rowt alias Mrs. Deshpande, married two years ago and the Municipal Commissioner wanted to dismiss her on that ground. The Standing Committee did not allow the Municipal Commissioner to do such an injustice then, but when the question of reappointment of that particular lady doctor came the Commissioner did not give her extension on the ground that she was married. The power of appointments under Rs. 500 vests in the Municipal Commissioner and the Standing Committee had no say in the matter. I asked some questions about this particular lady doctor in question only last month and the Commissioner gave very evasive replies. My intention in sending this resolution was that such an injustice should not be done to any other lady employee in future in the Municipal Office, and the House should lay down the principle once for all that the marriage is no bar for any lady to enter or continue in the Municipal service.

This is a very important point from women's point of view and, therefore, I shall be much obliged if you can publish the following substance of my speech along with this explanation which I send herewith:—

"I do not find adequate words to say how strongly I feel on this question. In the name of a theory that a married woman should not be allowed in the service, only last month a poor lady doctor was sacked by our Commissioner. It was a great shock to me when I heard about the case. Although I did not know the lady doctor in question very well I personally went to the Municipal Commissioner and asked him whether there was any thing against her except her being married. The Commissioner did not give me any ground on which her services were going to be dispensed with, but he said that in his opinion it was not desirable to have lady doctors who were married. "Surely, she must go to her husband sometimes," he said. It looked as if out of sympathy for the poor husband he was doing this injustice. I tried to argue, and argued in vain that if the lady doctor in question was otherwise efficient in her services and if there was no other ground on which he can dismiss her, it was not his look-out whether she was married or not. There is no law in existence which debars a lady from serving either in Government office or in the Municipality. But the Commissioner was very conscious of his powers; why should he listen to a poor lady councillor who could not prevent him from doing whatever he liked?

Apart from this particular case, I believe, that it would be dissatrous if you introduce this convention that a married lady should not be allowed in the services. That imported theory from other countries will not hold good in this country. The conditions of the West and that of the East are quite different. In the West the number of unmarried women is greater than the number of married women and there the unmarried women are not suffering from any disability from the society. Outside their working hours they can go to their clubs, they can go to dances, they can mix with people unfettered and there is no social advantage which is denied to them. But in this country it is the other way about. Here the number of married women is greater than that of unmarried women, and a woman if she remains unmarried suffers very many handicaps from her social side. She cannot move about very freely in the society, she will be looked upon with distrust if she mixes in the society of men; she cannot be accepted as a good friend in very many households.

Apart from these reasons, if a married woman wants to become economically independent or wants to supplement her family income by her own income, it would be a very retrograde step to prevent her from doing so. There are many men who are very sympathetic in their words towards women but when it comes to acting upto them they shirk their responsibility. When in this country women have just started to stand on their own and when they require every sympathy and help from their brothers to shut out the doors of services in their faces and tell them that they are married, would be simply cruel. I do not say that you should retain women who are inefficient in their work, but if they are efficient and if they attend to their duties properly you cannot shut them out simply on the ground that they are married. I want this House to establish a principle once for all that marriage will not be a bar to any woman to serve or continue in the services if she wants to do so. I do not think that any councillor here wants to increase the handicaps women are suffering in this country. I hope, sir, this House will pass the motion unanimously."
—Yours, etc.,

LILAVATI MUNSHI.

Utilisation Of Waste Matter

To The Editor. of "The Chronicle"

Sir,—Modern science along with their very many benefits has given us one most unthought of advantage, that is notonly to eliminate wastes but to make very neat and useful articles of every day use from the wastes. Very few people generally realise that the common household articles that are imported from the western countries as well as Japan, have been manufactured wholly or partly from such wastes that we throw away every day because either we do not like to handle them or because we do not know any use for these wastes.

We do know however that most of the 'Art goods' are made from the animal bones, leather and wool etc. Handles and cutlery, canes, toilet goods namely Hair, Tooth, Shaving Brushes and razor scissors etc. handles for canes and umbrellas, chess-men and indoor games pieces, desk and decorative articles, buttons, buckles and various toys are all generally made from bones cut or compressed or processed. Similarly bone-meal bone-black, and bone-glue are significant of the thing from which these are made.

Needless to give a long list of the leather articles and wool goods without which we can hardly live. Many of the industries would stop working and millions of western and eastern people would be unemployed and the same fate will meet the starving eastern workers if wool and leather were taken away. In fact there is nothing that comes of the animal from its horn to the nail that can not be made use of by the modern scientist. Since the discovery of the internal secretions, there are about a hundred pharmaceuticals made from the various animal glands and organs. Hardly even the butchers in the Eastern countries, excepting Japan, understand the importance of Thyroid, Thymus, Pituitary, Pineal, and Adrenal, etc Our people waste these valuable glands and organs when we slaughter the animals for feed. Naturally when our butchers do not know the use of the things how can we expect the laymen to know what goes into the manufacture of the modern medicines like Epinephrin, Chymogen, Kephalin, Insulin, Pepsin, Renin, and Thyrexin, etc.

The countries which should be saving every little thing to add to their wealth, and the nations live most economically have been found to be most wasteful. It is very unfortunate for Arabia to be a sandy, mountainous and dry land where hardly anything grows. Its situation geographically is also not so good from commercial and trade point of view although it is in between Asia, Africa and Europe. Still Arabia has an advantage over other countries because it is the cauldron of the five hundred million Muslims of the world. Arabia can become even to-day a centre of trade and industry as it is that of pilgrimage, if it would organise itself in modern ways. The animal waste alone if properly utilised would turn the city of Mina into an industrial Chicago of Arabia.

Last year during the pilgrimage time I was told at Mina that about two hundred thousand animals were slaughtered within three days. The Hajis left the carcases, flesh, bones, skin and various organs exposed after taking away what little they could eat during their short stay. Saudi Government had to bury these as best as they could. The Muslim faith has valued every little thing that belongs to Muslims, and I am grieved at the thought that this year again the same waste of valuable food, material for useful and fancy articles and medicines will go on as has been the custom in the past. Why do not the Muslims object and raise their voices against such a waste, try to preserve and pack the edible parts for the starving Muslims. Surely, like 'Zumzum' water it can also be carried to all parts of the world as 'Tabarruk'. Glands and organs as well as blood can be utilised as medicines and pharmaceuticals. Skin, wool, hair, horn and hoofs can be made into many household articles and useful things for animal, man and land. Home industries and leather, and wool factories, pharmaceutical and reduction plants for these can give employment to many Muslim scientists, technicians, industrialists and labourers who in these days of depressions are begging for jobs.

Ulema inform me that there is no harm if these 'wastes' are utilised and the income realised is used for charitable purposes, or the people themselves who slaughter these animals consume the articles. Has the Saudi Government thought over this source of income to support orphanages, hospitals, institutions for the cripple, blind, deaf, dumb, leprous, insane and to give pensions to aged and widows. Two lacs (2,00,000) animals certainly can provide employment to a large number of people, and stop street and mosque begging in Mecca and Medina.

If backward Russia and primitive Mexico can establish a Packing-House, Tannerries, woollen mills, workshops for fancy articles from bones, horns and hoofs, pharmaceutical and reduction plants and similar industries why can't Arabia modernise for useful cause.
Yours, etc

SYED FAKHRUDDIN HUSSAINKHAN Dr. P. H. (Mich. U.S.A.)
Nawab Munzil,
Baroda, February 16.

Remission In Konkan

To the Editor of "The Chronicle"

Sir,—The question of Konkan agriculture and enhancement in land revenue assessment has been thoroughly discussed in the public press, in meetings in the Legislative Council and in petitions to Government but it is regrettable to observe that it has failed to attract proper attention on the part of the authorities concerned. The prices of unhusked rice had gone up very high when the second revision settlement in land assessment was made in several Talukas of the Konkan districts. The Settlement Officers believing that the high prices then existing would not go down during the next thirty years of the settlements, recommended an increase of 33 1/3 per cent. The Collectors, the Divisional Commissioners and the Revenue Members unhesitatingly supported the Settlement Officers' recommendations and the Government in need of money readily sanctioned them in spite of repeated petitions and prayers of the landholders. Mr. Hood the Settlement officer in the second revision settlement of the Alibag Taluka in 1924 in his report to the Collector of Kolaba has distinctly said that the rate of Rs. 60/- per Khandi of paddy then prevailing in the Taluka would not go down during the next thirty years of the settlement. The present rates are from Rs. 25 to Rs. 35/- per Khandi. As regards the garden lands in the coast villages of the Taluka, his report said that they could not bear an enhancement of 66 per cent. but the Collector of Kolaba did recommend 66 per cent. in the case of five villages and Government gladly sanctioned it.

In response to petitions from landholders Government have been lately pleased to grant remissions of two to four annas in a rupee of the land revenue in those Talukas in which the second revision settlement has been current. The remissions, however, are inadequate inasmuch as the enhancement made was five annas and four pies in a rupee. The landholders pray that Government would be pleased to cancel the second revision settlement and remit the total unjustifiable increase. This act on their part would save the landholders the worry and expenses of petitioning them every year.—Yours etc.

R. L. GHARAT

Bori Bunder Ecstasy !

To the Editor of "The Chronicle."

Sir,—Bori Bunder (Major) was thrown into such ecstasy over the recent honour conferred on the W.I.T.C.—though it had to admit that the "honour" came nearly a quarter of a century 'after' Calcutta—that it essayed a leading article on the subject! The "Chronicle," on the other hand, simply dismissed the matter in one line—"Bombay now on level with Calcutta." Now a correspondent, writing in your contemporary, congratulates the W.I.T.C. on its (belated) honour, and suggests a Bombay Derby Sweep, "to finally equal, if not eclipse, the Calcutta R.T.C." (What a hope?). This would be another case of following Calcutta in right earnest. Surely, "Imitation is the sincerest form of flattery."

The term "Royal" is common in Calcutta. There is the Royal Calcutta Turf Club and the Royal Calcutta Golf Club, while there is also the Royal Botanic Gardens (generally spoken of as "The Botanics"), and said to be the finest garden in India, with its wonderful banyan tree, second to none in India, or anywhere.—Yours etc.,

"FACT."

Bombay; Feb. 19.

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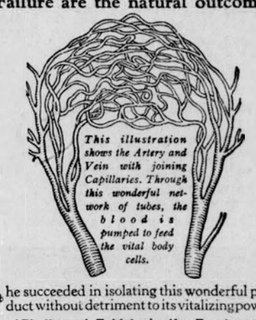
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SAFEGUARDING INDIAN RIGHTS OUTSIDE INDIA

Pt. Pant Proposes Sanctions Against Countries Imposing Disabilities On Indians

NEW DELHI (By Mail)

Notice has been given of a private Bill for introduction in the Legislative Assembly by Pandit Govind Ballabh Pant, Deputy Leader, Congress Party. This Bill will be called the Overseas Indians Reciprocity Bill, and is intended to "safeguard the legitimate rights and interests of Indians in countries outside India." It will extend to the whole of British India including Burma.

The object of the Bill is to put disqualifications and disabilities by stages on the nationals of countries which impose disabilities on Indians, the measures to apply to all countries of the world including British Dominions and Colonies. It lays down:

"Whenever British Indian subjects are subjected, directly or indirectly, to any disability, restriction, condition or liability in the matter of taxation or entry into a state, or in regard to the holding of public office or property of any kind, the carrying on of any profession, trade business or occupation, or the employment of servants or agents, or in respect of residence or travel within the boundaries of a state or in any part thereof, to which the subjects of a European British subject in that state are not actually subjected, the Government of India shall, on being satisfied about the imposition and existence of such disability, restriction condition or liability publish a notification in "The Gazette of India" specifying the name of the state concerned, along with the nature of such disability, restriction, condition or liability."

QUIT ORDER MAY FOLLOW.

Once a state is thus notified, six months will elapse before nationals of that state will incur disqualitfications, such as, holding public office in India, or engaging in any trade, profession, business or occupation,or getting a certificate of naturalisation or bounty or subsidy out of public funds. No boundy or subsidy will also be granted out of public funds to any company, firm or partnership in which a share or interest is held by such subject.

If the state concerned has not taken steps to treat British Indian nationals better, then the next stage comes when disabilities may be imposed on the nationals of such a state by ordering them to leave India or to prohibit entry of their goods into British India.

Power is given, however, to Government in special cases and for reasons recorded by them to exempt any individual subject of a notified state from any disability proposed by this legislation.

The Government of India may exempt the subjects of a notified state from all or any of the disabilities and restrictions by publishing a notification to that effect in "The Gazette of India" provided that such notification has been approved by both Chambers of the Indian Legislature.

POWERS TO MAGISTRATES.

A district magistrate is empowered to direct any person who may be acting in contravention of, or who has omitted to comply with, the provisions of such notification to abstain from or to do such act within the requirements of the said notification, failing which that person shall be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to six months or with fine or with both if he has intentionally committed any breach of such notification.

ZANZIBAR SITUATION.

The Government of India are empowered by notification in "The Gazette of India" and after laying the draft for consideration before both Chambers of the Indian legislature, to make rules to carry into effect the provisions of this Bill. This Bill is directed particularly to meet the situation created in Zanzibar, Kenya, Iraq, South Africa, British Guiana, Fiji and Malaya.

Mr. Pant claims that the measure is based on the recognised and accepted principle of reciprocity, and while laying down a guiding principle to safeguard Indian rights and interests against invidious discrimination, it leaves Government and the legislature free to exercise unfettered discretion in deserving cases with due regard for special circumstances, and gives to the offending states a period of six months to right the wrong complained of.

"Under the scheme of the Bill even discriminatory states can be granted complete exemption if there are exonerating circumstances. Even then if a state is turbulent and recalcitrant, the Bill provides for the exemption of individuals. This measure is scrupulously just, if not generous, and must commend itself as such to all fair minds not only in this country but also in the colonies and foreign territories."

CR. LAW BILL FOR BURMA

Rumour Of Bengal Governor's Visit

RANGOON, February 20.

It is reliably understood that Sir John Anderson, Governor of Bengal is coming here very soon on a courtesy visit in response to a long-standing invitation from Sir Hugh Stephenson.

This information is responsible for a speculation in political circles here that the local Government will take advantage of Sir John Anderson's presence at Rangoon to seek his advice on the problem of adequately dealing with the terrorist menace in Burma as it is generally feared that the Local Government are anxious to follow up the certification of the Burma Criminal Law (Amendment) Bill by promulgating a number of Orders restricting the freedom of movement and association of general public on the model of those obtaining in Bengal for some time past.—United Press.

U. P. Provincial Congress Committee

LUCKNOW, February 20.

The President of the United Provinces P. C. C. has cancelled the meeting of the U.P. delegates to the Congress sessions as well as the meeting of the newly constituted U.P.P.C.C. called for February 23 to fill the vacancies in the U.P.P.C.C. and the A.I.C.C. and to elect office bearers to the U.P. P.C.C, in view of the fact that the elections to the local Congress organisations in eleven places have been declared null and void owing to irregularities therein and in view of the decision to hold fresh elections in these places. It has now been decided to hold the meeting on or about 15th March.—A.P.

Khadi Bhandar For Gujranwala

LAHORE, Feb 18.

Dr. Gopichand performed the opening ceremony of the Congress Khaddar Bhandar (an agency of the Punjab Branch of the All-India Spinners' Association) in Gujranwala at the Railway Bazar near Railway Station.

A public meeting was held which was addressed by Dr. Gopichand on the importance of Khadi in ameliorating the economic condition of the villagers after which the Bhandar was formally opened. He was then entertained to a party by Lala Jagan Nath Monga and Lala Moti Ram Chawla which was attended by the various Congressmen and elite of the town.—United Press.

New Classes For Hindi In City

The Honorary Secretary Hindi Prachar Sabha, Bombay, writes:—

Arrangements have been made to open fresh classes at the following centres:—

AT GANDHI SEVA SENA, Motor House, Hughes Road, a Prathamik (beginners) and a Rashtra Bhasha Class will be conducted. The time will be from 3-30 to 4-30 p. m. on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays. This class is for ladies only.

At HIND MAHILA SAMAJ, New Bhatwadi Prathamik and Madhyama classes will be conducted on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3 to 4 p.m. This class is also for ladies only.

At Blavatsky Lodge the Sunday class will be continued as before. The time will be from 8 to 10 a.m. There is provision for all grades, Prathamik, Madhyama, and Rashtra here.

At the Rashtriya Kanyashalas' Congress House, a Rashtra Bhasha class will be held on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Fridays between 5 and 6 p.m.

At Nappoo Hall, Matunga, classes will be held daily from 8-30 to 9-30 p.m. Students will be admitted for the Prathamik Madhyama, and Rashtra Bhasha grades.

At Villa Parle the classes will be conducted for the Prathamik and Madhyama grades. The time will be from 8-30 to 9-30 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Admissions will be made at the Tilak Mandir.

Students are requested to join these classes early. Arrangements will be made to open more classes. Those interested in Hindi-study are requested to communicate with the Hony. Secretary at the Motor House, Hughes Road.

AID TO SMALL INDUSTRIES

New Organisation Formed In Bombay

The following press Note has been issued by the Small Industries Association:—

It is a truism to say that small industries in the country have long been lacking in organisation which was a great handicap in the way of their progress and development. To fill up this long-felt want, some of the prominent industrialists of this City met together and decided to bring into existence a new organsation called the Small Industries Association. The new Association has elected Mr. Manu Subedar as President, Dr. M. Venkatrao and Mr. Gordhandas G. Morarji as Vice-Presidents and an influential Committee for the year. The Association has commenced functioning and its office has been located at the Jehangir Wadia Building, Esplanade Road, Fort, Bombay.

BENEFIT TO SMALL INDUSTRIES.

The new organisation has a very wide sphere of work in this field and has chalked out a very ambitious programme of work, which, if successfully carried out, would be real benefit to the small industries which have been lacking such an organisation. It is proposed primarily to bring such small industries together with a view to take concerted action to safeguard their interests.

The memorandum of this Assotion includes among others the following objects:

(a) Organised action for the betterment and advancement of small industries;

(b) Compilation and collation of information and statistics pertaining to these industries;

(c) Scientific study of problems like comparative costs of production and possibility of developing markets for their products both in India and abroad; and

(d) Educating public opinion regarding the availability in India of the products of such industries.

It is expected that the Association would be widely supported and would be able to render valuable service which would go a long way in the betterment and development of industries in India.

LIGHT ON PROSTITUTION ACT

Plight Of Bogus Customers Revealed In Council

Light was sought on the working of the Prevention of Prostitution Act, by a series of questions by Mr. Syed Munawar, in the Legislative Council on Wednesday.

Mr. Syed Munawar asked: Will the Honourable the Home and General Member be pleased to state—

(a) whether Government are aware that in order to prove a case of living on the earnings of prostitution evidence of actual co-habitation was required by a Magistrate in Bombay;

(b) whether it is a fact that a bogus customer sent to a brothel woman contracted disease and demanded compensation for the suffering to which he was subjected in helping to detect the offenders under the Prevention of Prostitution Act;

(c) if so, the number of such cases and the amount of compensation or damage paid to such bogus customers;

(d) whether Government propose to amend the Act and make provisions in it to enable the Police to get the offenders convicted without furnishing proof of actual co-habitation;

(e) if so, when?

The Honourable Sir Robert Bell:

(a) Yes,

(b) Yes.

(c) Four such cases were reported of which one claimed compensation and was paid Rs. 85.

(d) and (e) Government have the matter under consideration.

DEFINITION OF A PROSTITUTE.

Mr. Syed Munawar asked: Will the Honourable the Home and General Member be pleased to state—

(a) the definition of a "prostitute" for the purposes of the Prostitution Act;

(b) whether he is aware that the want of such a definition in the Act has led to practical difficulties in bringing to book the offenders under the Act;

(c) whether it is proposed to amend the Act so as to provide the definition;

(d) if so, when?

The Honourable Sir Robert Bell:

(a) The word has not been defined in the Act.

(b), (c) and (d) No.

GHEE FAKER FINED

Verji Jaysing, vendor at the shop at No. 11 A, DeLisle Road, was convicted and fined Rs. 20 (in default to undergo 2 weeks' simple imprisonment) on February 15 for selling ghee adulterated to the extent of 75.4 per cent. at the Mazagon Police Court.

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Congress Leaders' Appeal At Rohtak Conference

ROHTAK, Feb. 18.

The third rural conference under the auspices of the Rohtak District Congress Committee was held yesterday in village Farmana under the presidentship of Ch. Tulsiram.

A large number of rural people including women attended the conference. Dr. Khare and Sardar Mangal Singh, Members of the Assembly, and Pandit Shri Ram Sharma, President of the District Congress Committee, also participated. The distinguished guests were enthusiastically welcomed and taken in a procession to the Pandal.

Dr. Khare unfurled the National Flag and the conference opened with rural national songs.

Both Dr. Khare and Sardar Mangal Singh in the course of their speeches exhorted the villagers to take more interest in the welfare of the country and in the Congress which is fighting for the cause of the peasants and the poor.

Sardar Mangal Singh appealed to his Jat brothers to become real Kshatriyas by taking part in the non-violent struggle for freedom.—United Press.

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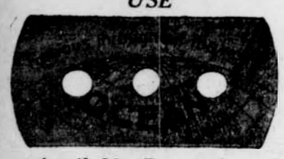

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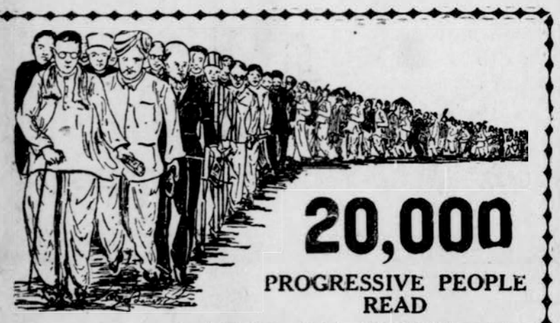

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Our Bijapur Letter

HAIL-STORM HAVOC IN BIJAPUR DISTRICT

Peasants Urge Revaluation Of Crops By Revenue Authorities

(From Our Correspondent)

BIJAPUR, (By Mail).

Last week a severe hail storm swept over the whole district and has caused great damage to standing crops. Cotton crops in some parts have been completely destroyed. The peasants are shocked at this untimely hail storm. The Revenue authorities are visiting the various places where the damage is reported to be heavy .Besides this considerable harm has been done to the property also. Sheep have been killed by the heavy hail-stones The whole district is in a state of despair.

Revaluation of crops by the authorities is being urgently demanded by the peasants.

Considerable tension was prevalent in the city in regard to the election of the President of the district Local Board. Rao Bahadur Deshmukh was one of the contestants. He was supported by the official and nominated blocs. As he was the sitting President his chances were brighter than any of his rival. The visit of Diwan Bahadur Kambli on the eve of the election made his chances still brighter.

Another party which set up rival candidate was supported by Mr. S. T. Patil the chairman of the present School Board.

CONGRESS PARTY IN LOCAL BOARD.

The Congress Party, though small in number, played an important part in this election. Immediately after the general election of the Board the Congress members of the Board met and decided to form a party. They have decided not to mix up the general policies of the country with the function and administration of the Board. This announcement made the path of co-operation with the other groups in the Local Board easy.

A party called the United Progressive Party of the Bijapur District Local Board was ushered into existence. The Congress Party invited the co-operation of all groups.

The group led by Mr. S T Patil agreed to join with the Congress members to form a party on the lines suggested above. The United Progressive Party put up Mr. G.K. Desai of Konnur as a candidate for the presidentship and he was elected as president defeating his rival by one vote. This is the first instance of the formation of an organised party in the history of Local Bodies in the district.

EX-MUNICIPAL COUNCILLOR DEAD.

Mr. Govindji Nanar, a prominent Gujarati merchant and an ex-councillor of the Municipality who was ailing for a number of years expired last week. The municipal offices were closed on Monday as a mark of respect to the departed soul. He represented the commercial community for nearly 15 years. He was an entirely self-made man.

Nasik Letter

NASIK RESENTS "EXCLUDED AREAS"

Congress To Launch Campaign Against Retrograde Move

(From Our Correspondent.)

NASIK, February 17.

At a public meeting of the citizens held on Monday evening, a reception committee, with His Holiness Dr. Kurtukoti as the president, was appointed to make the necessary arrangements to accord a fitting reception to Pundit Madan Mohan Malaviya who is expected to visit this city on or about March 12.

It is understood Pundit Malaviya will stay here for about a week, and will discuss the 'pros and cons' of the problem of the removal of untouchability with the orthodox Shastris and it is stated that arrangements will be made to invite learned Shastris from all over the province so that Punditji should be able to have a discussion with them and try to find out a satisfactory solution.

EXCLUDED AREAS

Kalwan and Peint Talukas of this district have been included in the "Excluded Areas" under the new constitution. Great resentment and dissatisfaction prevails in these two talukas over this retrograde move, and prominent persons from the talukas are expressing their support to the proposal of the Congress Committee to organise a vigorous campaign against the move. A sub-committee consisting of Messrs G. H. Deshpande, R. G. Pradhan, M. V. Janorkar and Mahant Sitaram Das Shastri has been appointed in this connection and it is reliably understood that both the presidents and the secretary of the District Congress Committee will shortly tour the Talukas. Conferences of the people of the Talukas are also proposed to be held.

CONGRESS MEMBERSHIP

The Nasik District Congress Committee has launched vigorous campaign for enrolling Congress members in the district. Mahant Sitaram Das Shartri, president and Mr. Deshpande secretary of the Committee have been touring the district in the same connection, and are receiving a splendid response from the public. Besides discussing the present policy and programme of the Congress with local Congress workers and other prominent persons, they are addressing public meetings and exhorting the peasants to rally round the Congress banner.

KATHIAWAR POLITICAL CONFERENCE

Must Be Held Within Limits Of State, Says Sardar Patel

AHMEDABAD, Feb. 18.

In order to unravel the tangled skein of Kathiawar politics Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel left for Bhavnagar last night in response to an urgent summons from the Executive Committee of the Kathiawar Political Conference.

It is well known that there were schisms and strong differences of opinion among Kathiawar political workers regarding the advisability of holding the Kathiawar Political Conference. At last, one group succeeded in deciding to hold the conference at Wadhwan Camp but Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel whose advice was sought in this matter is reported to have written to the Executive Committee that the Kathiawar Political Conference must be held in the limits of the Kathiawar State only and that by holding the conference in a British or Agency jurisdiction the knotty problems of the State are not likely to be solved.

It is hoped that the Sardar's advice and mediation will solve the question of the venue of the conference and bring unanimity between the workers.—United Press.

Axe On Police Outposts In Bareilly

BAREILLY: Feb. 19.

As a sequel to the retrenchment proposals, it is understood that four Police out-posts in the city will be abolished shortly. The four out-posts are in Kanungoyan, Killa, Koharapir and one in the old city.

The local public, who are not in agreement with this move of the Government, are, it is further understood, making a representation to the authorities shortly in this connection.—United Press.

Two Villagers Killed By Dacoits

(From Our Correspondent).

KARACHI, Feb. 19.

According to the Jacobabad correspondent of a local paper an armed dacoity is reported from Jhangal where finding the villagers offering resistance, the dacoits opened fire killing some villagers. On receipt of the information the police rushed to the scene.

JAMNALAL BAJAJ IN JAIPUR

Appeal To Sikar Authorities To Redress People's Grievances

KHURJA, Feb. 18.

Seth Jamnalal Bajaj arrived here on February, 13, accompanied by Mr. Moolchand Agarwal, the ban on whom not to enter the Jaipur State Territories, has recently been lifted by the State Authorities.

Seth Jamnalal interviewed the Rao Raja Sahib. He also had a very frank and open discussion with Captain Webb and Mr. Bapna Senior and Assistant Senior Officer respectively. The United Press understands that Seth Jamnalal pressed the following points to be considered by the Sikar Authorities.

(1) Reforms in Jail Administration.

(2) Social reforms amongst the Jats, Rajputs and others.

(3) Constructive work for the economic uplift of the Jats, Rajputs and others.

(4) Helping the Kisans in getting their complaints redressed and to get justice for them.

It seems that the Sikar Authorities are endeavouring to bring about the said reforms but feel handicapped because, in their opinion the public is not sufficiently educated to take advantage of their sympathetic attitude. Jamnalalji therefore thinks that the only remedy for removing this difficulty is that public workers of Jaipur Raj should now come forward with the mission of service and constructive abilities and play their part in helping the authorities to bring about the said reforms.—United Press.

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Amritsar Protests Against Hitler's Insulting Remarks

AMRITSAR, Feb 18.

A well-attended public meeting was held in Jallianwala Bagh to protest against the insulting remarks made by Herr Hitler against India. Mr. Mohammad Sheriff presided.

Resolutions were adopted strongly protesting against the remarks of Herr Hitler about Indians and deciding to boycott German goods and protesting against the Government of India's attitude in disallowing the adjournment motion in the Assembly.—United Press.

MONEYLENDERS' MEMORIAL

Chettiars' Appeal Not To Be Ejected From Their Lands In Burma

(From Our Correspondent).

NEW DELHI: Feb. 18.

The Maharajkumar of Chetinad arrived here and met Sir Girjashankar Bajpai, Education Secretary, Government of India and handed him a memorial, which has been submitted to the Governor-General-in-Council by the Bank of Chettinad, Ltd., Pwinbyu, M.A. Sakuttayan Chettyar of Sagu and R.M.A.L.R.M. Chettyar Firm of Sagu.

The memorialists submit that they are Chettiars, carrying money-lending business in Minbu Distt. of Upper Burma, since 1895. In 1925 their outstanding advances in Minbu Distt. amounted to about Rs. 25 lakhs and on account of world depression they have been compelled to accept such security as their borrowers were able to offer. The memorialists became mortgagees of land in Minbu District and owing to the long continuance of the period of depression they have in many cases been compelled to accept conveyance of those lands in settlement of their claims. They accepted conveyance of some 400 acres of State-lands, irrigated by the Mon North Canal system, situated for the most part in Pwinbyu township. At the time of the conveyance the memorialists did not know that some of these lands were State-lands which could not be held by non-agriculturists and non-natives of Burma, without the express permission of the Government.

The memorialists submit that they held possession of the aforesaid lands for some years, but in 1933-'34 they were served with revenue proceedings to show cause why they should not be ejected from those lands. This policy, they allege, had never been actually adopted and enforced by the Burma Government in the past. The Deputy Commissioner allowed the memorialists time until 30th June, 1935 to dispose of their interests to the 'bona fide' agriculturists. On further appeals, this date was extended to 30th June 1937, but the Governor- of Burma-in-Council refused to interfere with the last order and extended the period of disposal to ten years, which the memorialists prayed in view of depression and absence of purchasers.

Further the memorialists say that they had not in any way been oppressive or that, they had mismanaged the said lands or any evil consequences resulted from their possession. On the contrary, the lands have been cultivated throughout the period of depression and Government received land revenue.

They, therefore, pray to the Governor-General-in-Council to extend the period to ten years during which they undertake to let the said lands to the indigenous cultivators at rents not higher than the rents charged for similar lands in the same neighbourhood. Otherwise they may be granted just and equitable relief.

LONDON CENTRAL HINDU SOCIETY

To Counteract Anti-Hindu Propaganda

(From Our Own Correspondent).

LONDON, Feb. 11.

(By Air Mail.)

Sixteen Hindus, members of the Central Hindu Society of Great Britain,—according to which annual report there are seventy members—met on Sunday afternoon at an Indian restaurant in Soho. It was the Society's annual general meeting and its President, Mr. R. S. Nehra, took the chair.

The President gave a detailed history of the Society—its aims and objects. He declared that various kinds of books and literary circulars and pamphlets were issued in Europe and Great Britain about Hinduism, which in his opinion, did not do justice to Hinduism. Most of them, he felt, were written by prejudiced writers or with the deliberate intention of misrepresenting the great Hindu religion. To counteract that kind of propaganda, the Central Hindu Society has been founded.

On the positive side of the Society's work, Mr. Nehra assured his fifteen colleagues, the spiritual message of Hinduism was always put before the British public. The Secretary, Dr. M. L. Kalra, then outlined the report for the year that had just ended. He said that since its establishment in 1933 the Society had a chequered career and it was gratifying to have 70 members on its role. This was followed by a report of the Treasurer who said that the income of the Society was £110 though the net cash balance in the treasury was only £6. The meeting gave its approval to the Treasurer's report.

The meeting also approved the draft constitution, which, I am told, was drafted in consultation with prominent Hindus in London and in India.

Dr. Hingorani, who hails from Sind has been elected the President of the Society, in place of Mr. Nehra by a majority of only one vote. Dr. C. L. Katial and Mrs. Mukerji were elected Vice-Presidents. Dr. Kalra and Mr. Y. Dev have been re-elected Secretary and Assistant Secretary respectively. Mr. Tandon continues treasurership for 1936-37. Mr. Nehra is elected on the Executive Committee along with five others.

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Islamic Notes And News

HEJAZ TO BE MODERNISED

MECCA, (By Air Mail.)

Holy Mecca will from now on be the brightest city in Hejaz owing to the arrangements regarding the electrification of the town which have just been completed.

Entire credit for this work goes to King Ibn Saud who although a Wahabist and therefore against all kinds of luxuries has decided to undertake the economic development of Hejaz for the convenience of the pilgrims.

Among other projects planned for the execution are the arrangements for the supply of fresh drinking water, establishment of a factory for peeling and conserving dates as also the construction of a new hotel at Medina.

Arrangements have also been made with the Egyptian Government for facilitating the conveyance of the pilgrims from the north. Talaat Harb Pasha, the president of the Bank of Misr has accordingly arrived from Cairo to supervise the entire organisation.

Arabs, Undecided

JERUSALEM (By Air Mail)

According to "Palcor", the leaders of the five Arab parties who met a few days ago in Jerusalem in order to frame a joint memorandum in relation to the proposed legislative council in Palestine, dispersed without arriving at a final settlement and have now decided that each party should prepare its own individual demands.

It is understood that at a recent meeting of their Executive Committee, the Mufti's Arab party passed a resolution affirming that the terms offered by Sir Arthur Wauchope were not in confirmity with the Arab nationalist demands.

On the other hand, the Palestine Defence party under the leadership of Ragheb Ben Nashashibi is reported to be sympathetic towards the government offer.

It is alleged that the main reason of Nashashibi's acceptance lies probably in his belief that the legislative council would diminish the popular influence which Haj Amin Al Hussein, the Mufti of Jerusalem, is at present exercising as president of the Muslim Supreme Council.

The Jewish circles are anticipating a definite split among the Arab parties.

Has Syrian Revolt Been Fomented By Italy?

PARIS, (By Air Mail)

Bitter comments are being made by the French Press against the Italian authorities regarding the recent troubles in Syria, which, it is alleged, have been entirely fomented by the Italian agents carrying on a vast propaganda against the French and the British in Syria as well as Palestine.

It is declared that the raids of the French police in the offices of the National Syrian party have brought various documents of compromising nature.

It may be recalled that the National Syrian party had launched an appeal to the Syrian people, some time ago, for the creation of a new fascist organisation under the name of "Green Shirts."

All Foreign Experts To Be Replaced In Turkey

STAMBUL, (By Air Mail)

The Turkish Government have decided not to engage any more skilled foreman from abroad for purposes of industrial development. A regular plan has been formulated whereby Turkish skilled workers would be sent abroad for specialising in any new enterprise that is intended to be established in the country. It is further proposed that all foreign experts, at present working in Turkey, should be gradually be replaced by those belonging to Turkish nationality.

The first battalion of selected workers from the wool-weaving factory of Hereke has already left for Germany where they would undergo an intensive course of training. It is understood that on their return, they would be given charge of a new wool processing factory to be erected at Brusa.

LEAGUE AND BROADCASTING

Among the questions discussed during the 90th session of the Council of the League of Nations were those of the Conference for the purpose of concluding an International Convention on the use of broadcasting in the cause of peace; the draft regulation concerning the revision of History text-books; and the possibility of a Conference before the conclusion of the Convention for the suppression of illicit trame and dangerous drugs.

On a report by M. Laval the Council decided that a conference for concluding the International Convention on the use of Broadcasting in the cause of peace should be convened at Geneva on September 3rd, 1936.

On a similar motion by him, the Council decided to forward to Government members and non-members of the League the draft regulation concerning the revision of History text-books.

On a report by M. de Vasconcellos (Portugal), the Council noted the report of the Export Committee charged with the revision of the Draft Convention for the Suppression of the illicit Traffic in Dangerous Drugs. It instructed the Secretary-General to convene a Conference at Geneva on June 8th, 1936, for the conclusion of the proposed Convention. States non-members of the League would also be invited to this Conference. —A. P.

LEAGUE'S HEALTH BUREAU

At the recent sessions of the Bureau of the Health Committee of the League of Nations, it was decided to recommend to the League Council to accept the invitation of the Soviet People's Commissariat of Hygiene to hold its next sessions in the summer of 1936 n Moscow.

The Bureau put on the agenda of the next meeting of the Health Committee the report from the Pan-African Health Conference held at Johannesburg in November. One of the recommendations of the Conference expresses the desire of the Health Administrations represented to co-ordinate their activities and to seek to solve the health problems of the African continent under the auspices of the League Health Organisation.

The Bureau reviewed the work of the Health Organisation since its last session. It expressed its satisfaction with the plan drawn up by its Housing Committee. This plan provides for comparative studies of the ways in which the problems of housing are met in different countries where big housing schemes are being carried out, from the point of view of the public health questions involved.

In pursuance of resolutions of the Assembly, the Bureau carried a stage further the preparations of the Health Organisation for a Conference on Rural Hygiene to be held in the East. It took note with pleasure of the fact that the Netherlands authorities were in favour of the Conference being held in the Dutch East Indies.

Other matters dealt with by the Bureau included the programme of collective study tours of public health officials. One such study tour was held in November 1935 in the United States and comprised six health officials and experts from European countries. The Bureau asked the Council to express its thanks to the American authorities.—A. P.

LEAGUE AND PUBLIC FINANCE

The last volume on the important subject of Public Finance prepared by the League was published in 1929. The Economic Intelligence Service has now published it in the form of a series of separate parts one for each state, covering the period from 1928 to 35. For each country, information is given summarising the main facts and figures regarding Public Finance from 1928-35 or if it is available up to a later date. It will include a summary of budget and State Accounts the main items of receipts and expenditure, the Treasury position, the situation of the Public debt and, if possible, the balance sheet of State assets and liabilities. Technical notes explain the figures and mark the essential changes which have taken place from year to year. Further explanatory notes are intended to enable students of the subject to obtain some understanding of the influence of the recent crisis on public finance and the measures taken by Governments to meet the difficulties created by that crisis; the extent to which receipts taken as a whole or individually have been affected; how new sources of receipts have been reduced, maintained, or increased, and how deficits have been covered.—A. P.

CAPITAL OF NEW ORISSA

MADRAS, Feb. 20.

The United Press learns that Puri will be the temporary Headquarters of the New Orissa Province for three years.

Most probably, Khurda Road on the Bengal Nagpur Railway will be chosen as the permanent Headquarters.—United Press. —3

CANAL DISPUTE CLASH

Authorities Seek Police Aid: 50 Villagers Injured

LYALLPUR, Feb. 20.

About fifty persons are reported to have been injured as a result of a clash over canal dispute in an adjacent village. Details are lacking, but it is believed that the villagers came into conflict with the canal authorities who had sought police aid. Local members of the Legislative Council are intervening.—A. P.

BE MISSIONARIES OF SCIENCE

Aga Khan's Exhortation To Students

LUCKNOW, Feb. 20.

An enthusiastic reception was accorded to His Highness the Aga Khan by the citizens of Lucknow who gathered in large numbers at the railway station this morning on the occasion of his visit here after an interval of 26 years. Among those present at the station were the Raja of Salempur, Raja of Jehangirabad, Mushir Husain Kidwai, Mr. Mohd. Nasim and Mr. Khaliquzzaman. A busy programme awaited His Highness, including visits to several educational institutions.

Addressing the students of the Lucknow University, His Highness said that every one of the names of the eminent men of letters and scientists inscribed on the walls of the Hall, in which His Highness addressed the students, should be an object of the highest and noblest ambition and inspiration for every student. In imagination, in intellectual equipment and distinction, Asia's past, His Highness added, yielded to no one's past and was going to yield to no one's future.

The present superiority of the West over the East was due exclusively to the fact that Westerners had learned to follow the rules and regulations of nature and had delved into her secrets. The East lagged behind the West in this respect by three or four centuries and the foremost task before every student was to become a missionary of science and nature, discover their secrets and reveal them for the benefit of others. If he (the student) succeeded in doing this he would be able to catch up these three or four centuries.

At the Muslim Girls School His Highness emphasized the imperative need for education among Muslim girls.

EXTEND EDUCATION TO GIRLS

LUCKNOW, Feb. 20.

Replying to a civic address presented by the Lucknow Municipal Board, the Aga Khan said that the City might well be proud of its past history, its present greatness and the variety of its charms and attractions as well as its future prospects which could be brightened by harnessing nature's resources for service. His Highness was glad to know that the Board provided free primary education to boys residing within the municipal limits and hoped ere long similar facilities would be extended to girls. His Highness concluded by quoting Kipling who had described Lucknow as the Second City in India, being next to Bombay.

A round of social functions have been arranged in honour of the Aga Khan including a lunch at Government House, a citizens "At Home" and a dinner at Salempur House. His Highness with Begum Aga Khan leave for Rampore to-night where His Highness will preside over the Educational Conference.—A. P.

RAJA PANNALAL'S APPEAL REJECTED

(From Our Correspondent).

SECUNDERABAD, Feb. 19.

An important case wherein heavy liabilities and sureties were involved ended on Monday last, when the Divisional Bench Appellate Side, delivered the judgment in an appeal filed by Messrs. Raja Pannalal and Raja Govardhanlal.

Seven years ago one Chandmull Dadha obtained a decree for five lakhs of rupees against Kishen Chander and another. Late Rajabahadur Sir Bansilal Motilal stood surety for judgment debtors. Motilal subsequently applied for discharge from the surety bond. Meanwhile Raja Dhanrajgirji another magnet of Hyderabad, acquired the decree and applied for execution.

Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru appeared for the decree-holder and Sir Alladi Krishnaswamy Iyer, Advocate-General, Madras for the sureties.

Justice Naziryar Jung sitting on Original Side of the High Court, directed forfeiture of the surety. Raja Pannalal appealed to Divisional Bench. The Divisional Bench rejected the appeal.

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MANTRA DEEKSHA FOR HARIJANS

TRIVANDRUM, Feb. 20.

According to a telegram from Pandit Malaviya to prominent Hindu leaders in Travancore arrangements have been made to give "mantra deeksha" and "panchakshara upadesh" to a large number of Harijans and other Hindus on Sivaratri day at about 60 Hindu mission centres as well as other places in the State.

Among those who received Pandit Malaviya's message is Aiyankali, a prominent leader of the Pulaya (depressed) community who is also arranging for 'deeksha' and "upadesh" for his community in co-operation with other Hindu leaders.—A.P.

Philibit District To Be Abolished?

BAREILLY: Feb. 19.

It is understood the local Government are considering the question of abolishing the Pilibhit district. It is stated that a part of it will be transferred to Shahjahanpur and the remaining portion to Bareilly.

The question of transfer to Aonla Tehsil to Badaun Distt., Cunnur Tehsil to Bulandshahar and Kasganj to Badaun Distt. is still premature.—United Press.

AYURVEDIC AND UNANI SYSTEMS

Bright Future Awaits Them, Says Sir Syed Hasan

LUCKNOW, (By Mail.)

"It appears to me that the ayurvedic and Unani systems have a great future before them and you, who are going into the world equipped with the necessary knowledge, have a great duty to perform," said Sir Syed Wazir Hasan, ex-Chief Judge of the Oudh Chief Court, in his presidential address at the third convocation of the Ayurvedic and Unani educational institutions affiliated to the U. P. Board of Indian Medicine.

Sir Syed Wazir Hasan complimented the U. P. Government on championing the cause of the oriental system of medicine—Ayurvedic and Unani—which lead may yet be followed by other provinces in India to their advantage.

Reviewing the activities of the Board of Indian Medicine, Sir Syed said that the main object of the Board was to uplift the indigenous systems of medicines to the requirement of modern times.

Sir Syed was glad to find that the institutions devoted to the study of indigenous medical systems were steadily progressing and becoming increasingly popular. They were now attracting a better type of students and their standard of teaching was gradually becoming higher. In this connexion he referred to an important field of activity—research work indigenous herbs and drugs about which very little was at present known to modern science.—A.P.

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Terminate Ottawa Pact Once For All

All Channels For India's Foreign Trade Dammed

CALCUTTA CHAMBER'S LETTER TO GOVERNMENT

Following is the second instalment of the Calcutta Indian Chamber of Commerce memorandum to the Government on the necessity of terminating the Ottawa Pact:—

Examining the figures of India's foreign trade during the years 1931-35, the memorandum says:—

With the exception of Japan all other countries have been losing ground in the Indian market, whereas the United Kingdom has been steadily advancing and has regained her hold in India as a major contributor to India's import trade.

Again excepting Japan (and to a slight extent Italy), all other, Non-Empire countries have reduced their share of the export trade from India inasmuch as India's import trade with them has been restricted and the share of these countries is decreasing year by year. That the spirit of retaliation was engendered by the Ottawa Agreement is thus illustrated clearly and convincingly; and the Committee of the Chamber would further invite the attention of the Government to the various restrictions which have been imposed during the last two years in several European countries.

Quoting Germany as an instance in point, the memorandum cites the recent report of the Indian Trade Commissioner at Hamburg and says:—

On a perusal of these statements, no one could afford to look with equanimity upon the loss of one of India's best customers, and if the German experiments succeed, as seems probable, other non-Empire countries will follow suit, and this will be very detrimental to India's export trade. The Committee have already shown how the United Kingdom has not increased her offtake of India's exports in such a large proportion as would compensate India for her loss of trade with her other customers. Thus, on the one hand, India is denied the opportunity of expanding her trade along natural lines due to the diversion of her trade along Empire channels, while on the other, the United Kingdom and Empire countries do not offer India any very great scope for expansion in order to compensate for her loss of export trade with Non-Empire countries.

TWO PICTURES.

The detailed statistics of U. K. imports into India in preferred articles show that while the general trend of trade in all these articles with the exception of building materials is progressive, the imports of metal ores, rubber manufactures, motor cars and motor omnibuses, in 1931-35 have almost doubled themselves as compared to those of 1931-32. In the case of wool and woollen manufactures the increase is nearly 2-1|2 times during the same period.

As against this the statistics of Indian exports in the preferred articles show that the growth of the export trade of India in the United Kingdom is not altogether encouraging. With the exception of four items the rest of the 23 items do not indicate any uninterrupted progress. Items show an ultimate increase.

TERMINATE IT.

Thus after a careful and detailed survey of working of the Ottawa Agreement in the light of available statistics of the import and export trade of India with the United Kingdom the Committee have come to the conclusion that there is very little justification for continuing the Ottawa Agreement, which has not as yet conferred any very great benefit on India.

The Committee are emphatically of the opinion that the Ottawa Agreement, and its sequel, the Indo-British Agreement, should both be terminated without any delay, inasmuch as they have not only "not proved beneficial to India, but are positively endangering the normal development of India's trade, commerce and industries.

The memorandum urges upon the Government the desirability of concluding bilateral trade pacts and shows some of the significant omissions in the recent press notes in the Ottawa Pact issued by the Director of Information.

In conclusion the memorandum says:—

In summarising the results of the working of the Ottawa Scheme of Preferences, the Committee would draw the attention of the Government to the following significant points:—

(i) Of the two countries, India and the United Kingdom. India has not derived anything like the benefit in the United Kingdom Market, as the latter has been admittedly able to derive in India, as a result of the working of the Ottawa Agreement.

(ii) India's export trade with the United Kingdom has not expanded to a large extent, because she has had to face competition from other Empire countries which export their products to the United Kingdom, under the impetus of similar preferential lower duties.

(iii) Since the Ottawa Agreement tended to restrict the import trade of India with non-Empire countries, India's export trade to those countries has also been restricted, due to restrictive policies from those countries.

(iv) The existence of the Ottawa Agreement made it possible for the conclusion of the Indo-British Agreement which introduced in the fiscal policy of India the principle of differential rates of duty on the United Kingdom products, in any scheme of protection to India's indigenous industries.

In view of these important considerations, the Committee of the Chamber urge that the Ottawa Agreement should be terminated without delay. The Committee would also suggest that the Government should immediately examine the trend of the trade of India with various other important countries including the United Kingdom and investigate the possibility of entering into bilateral trade treaties with them, whenever possible, in order to bring about an expansion of the export trade of India in these markets.

AGRICULTURAL PROBLEM IN C. P.

Governor Pleads For Fresh Taxation

NAGPUR, Feb. 20.

H. E. the Governor Sir Hyde Gowan, in his address to the Budget Session of the C. P. Legislative Council which commenced today, referred to the new constitution and problem of C. P. versus Berar and appealed to all classes and political leaders to work together for common good.

The Governor then described the various measures taken regarding the agricultural problem and said that Debt Conciliation Boards brought relief and fresh hope to the countryside. Ten land mortgage banks established in the province as an experimental measure, succeeded in their objective by keeping down general rates of interest.

Referring to the serious position of provincial finances, the Governor hoped that members of Council, while considering proposals for fresh taxation, which have been dictated by the dire proposals for fresh taxation, which have been dictated by the dire needs of the situation, would keep in view the common good of the province.

Coming to the new constitution, the Governor said "it has now become law and when tumult and shouting die down and the calm, dispassionate verdict of history comes to be pronounced, those who are responsible for the structure are confident that it will vindicate alike the honesty of their purpose, liberality of their intentions and skill and wisdom of their craftsmanship."—A. P.

INDIANISATION IN RAILWAYS

Zafrullah Admits Ratio Has Not Yet Been Reached

NEW DELHI, Feb. 20.

Sir Mohd. Zafrullah Khan, Railway Member was present throughout the general discussion on the Budget. Speeches generally followed those in the Legislative Assembly.

Mr. Hosain Imam said, interest paid on provident fund in commercially run railways should not be higher than on short term loans of Government. This only helped to fill the pockets of employees and Mr. Hosain Imam opined that by reducing the rate per cent by one, there would be a saving of two crores which might help to wipe out the deficit at least on commercial lines. He further suggested that besides the Depreciation Fund on the basis of one-sixtieth of capital-at-charge, there should be a Sinking Fund. If this was not immediately possible at least the Depreciation Fund should be raised to two per cent from the present one point seven five per cent.

"REDUCE FREIGHT."

Lala Ramsarandas referred to freights which were high and pointed out that full-pressed cotton bales were carried nowadays from Lyallpur to Gwalior and Cawnpore by lorries because that was cheaper. Why not then reduce the freights for long distances? He suggested the conversion of rate of interest on Railways Loans and thereby reduce interest charges. He criticised the wagon purchase policy and asked that Railways should have consistent policy of encouraging Indian companies.

INDIANISATION THIS?

Mr. Jagadish Banerjee feared, after the perusal of figures that Indianisation had only resulted in Anglo-Indianisation or Europeanisation. He appealed to all other communities to combine against this new meaning of Indianisation. He suggested the abolition of surcharge on coal traffic and co-ordination in different railways regarding stores purchase.

WHY INCREASE GAZETTED RANKS?

Mr. P. S. Sapru wondered how the application of Geneva Conventions would add to expenditure when the staff was not increased on that account. He urged that human values should override commercial considerations. He found no increase in lower ranks but only in Gazetted ranks as for instance in the E. I. Railway in which he had found during recent years 50 per cent increase in the strength of the number of officers. He reiterated the necessity of giving effect to the Whitley Commission's recommendation with a view to arbitrate Labour grievances and secure industrial peace.

ZAFRULLAH'S REPLY.

Sir Mohd. Zafrullah in his reply referring to corruption described it as a blot on the national

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character. He appealed to the public to co-operate with the Railways by bringing forward specific cases and proving them with a view not only to check the evil but to eradicate it, if possible (cheers).

As regards Indianisation, Sir Mohd. Zafrullah admitted that the figure of 75 per cent had not yet been reached, but he assured the House that the ratio would increase in the course of the next financial year.—A. P.

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THANA PEASANTS TO BE MOBILISED

Congress Committee's Decision To Hold Conferences

(From Our Correspondent)
THANA, Feb 20.

The Thana District Congress Committee, in its meeting held at Bhiwandi decided to hold peasants' conferences in different talukas and for this purpose each Taluka Committee has been asked to enrol 1,000 members.

The meeting also decided to contest provincial elections to the Bombay Legislatures under the coming reforms by setting up as many Congress candidates as there are seats for the whole district.

RESENTMENT AGAINST EXCLUDED AREAS

By another resolution it was decided to hold protest meetings in Wada, Shapur, Umbergaon, Dahnu and Mokhada talukas to show public resentment at Government's decision to include certain portions of those talukas among the "partially excluded areas".

The meeting, by another resolution expressed its displeasure at the attitude of the Congress Parliamentary Board towards the Wages Payment Bill in the Legislative Assembly.

FOUND IN GAMING HOUSE

Thana Judge Upholds Conviction

(From Our Correspondent).
THANA, Feb. 19.

The revision application made by one Girdhar Goverdhan against his conviction and sentence by the Resident Magistrate of Kurla, on a charge of having been found in a gaming house, has been dismissed by Mr. M. A. Bhave, Sessions Judge of Thana, upholding the order of the trial Magistrate. The trial Magistrate had acquitted the applicant of the charge of keeping a common gaming house, as there was no satisfactory evidence to that effect.

EXCISE CONVICTIONS AT THANA

(From Our Correspondent.)
THANA, Feb. 20.

On a charge of having in his possession half a tola of "charas," Mubo Laxman (50) and for having in his possession two bottles of illicit liquor, a fisherman named Ramchandra Vithoo (35), were prosecuted by Mr. K. P. Bhavnagri, Excise Inspector, in the court of Mr. R. K. Chiplunkar, sub-divisional Magistrate for Thana Town.

Both the accused pleaded guilty and were sentenced to one month's rigorous imprisonment and two months' rigorous imprisonment respectively.

The Magistrate further ordered to return the canoe of the second accused, which was confiscated, on payment of Rs. 10.

HINDUS CELEBRATE MAHASHIVRATRI

Fasting And Bathing At Chowpatty

BOMBAY, Friday.

The Hindus observed the Mahashivratri holiday to-day with great eclat.

Thousands of men and women proceeded to Chowpatty at day break to take their morning ablution in the sea. Tram cars were full of passengers going to Chowpatty from all parts in the city from early morning. The police made elaborate and excellent arrangements to regulate traffic and to prevent any mishap to the pedestrians at Sandhurst Road and Opera House Junction.

This day is dedicated to the worship of Shiva the "destroyer among the Hindu trinity. A complete fast is observed both day and night, as also a vigil. The Shiva Linga is worshipped at night with offerings of "Ketaki" flowers at "Bel" leaves.

There is an interesting legend connected with this festival. It is stated that on this night, a wicked hunter being overtaken by darkness in a forest took refuge on a "Bel" tree. Shivering from cold and hunger, he had involuntarily caused a few leaves of the tree to fall on a Shiva Linga which was lying beneath.

A few drops from his eyes had fallen also on the sacred stone. This fact, together with the involuntary vigil he kept throughout this sacred night, earned for him untold merits and happiness in later life.

Indeed in his next life he was born as Chitra Bhanu, illustrious king of the Ikshvaku dynasty.

A London message of Wednesday's date states improvement in Lord Beatty's condition has been maintained and his progress continues.

EDUCATION OF CATHOLICS

Problems Discussed At Bombay Conference

The first of the Conferences which the Educational Committee of the League of Catholic Action is calling for discussion of educational problems, was held on Wednesday evening at Antonio de Souza High School Hall, Byculla, Heads of Catholic Schools, including the Jesuit and Convent schools, in Bombay, Bandra, Santa Cruz, and Thana, attended the Conference, besides members of the Educational Committee.

Principal A. Soares who presided, after extending a hearty welcome to the members, spoke at some length on the subjects which were on the agenda. He specially dwelt on the importance of organising the schools into an Association which would not only co-ordinate the efforts of individual schools in the best interests of education, but would provide a representative body to deal with the educational authorities in all matters of common interest.

Among other things he strongly commended the introduction of teaching of vernaculars in the English teaching schools.

After discussion, the Conference resolved that an Association of Heads of English-Teaching Schools be formed, and appointed a small Committee to draft the necessary rules and regulations. It was further resolved that the other questions dealt with by the President should be considered by the new Association as soon as it was formed.

After a vote of thanks to the Chair, the Conference dissolved.

Congress Efforts To Settle Village Dispute

(From Our Correspondent.)
THANA, Feb. 20.

A sub-committee consisting of Messrs. K. T. Sule, D. M. Damle and P. S. Bhagwant was appointed by the Managing committee of the Thana District Congress Committee, in its meeting held recently at Bhiwandi, to bring about a settlement of the dispute between the peasants of Chansoli village in the Thana District and the sowkars.

The sub-committee has decided to call a meeting of representatives of all shades of opinion, on 23rd inst. to end the aforesaid dispute.

Thana.—On a charges of being in possession of half a tola of "Charas" and two bottles of illicit liquor, one Mulu Laxman (50) and a fisherman, Ramchandra Vithu (35) respectively were tried by the Sub-Divisional Magistrate for Thana Town and sentenced to one month's and two months' rigorous imprisonment respectively.

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Boon To Ahmedabad Suburbs

Sardar Patel Opens Section Of New Drainage Scheme

(From Our Correspondent)

AHMEDABAD, Feb. 19.

Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel performed the opening ceremony of a section of the suburban drainage system near Kalupur Kapashia Bazar this morning.

Mr. Mavlankar, President of the Ahmedabad Municipality, in requesting Sardar Vallabhbhai to open the section, gave an idea of the project and said that the dairnage system was first introduced in the city and a part of Khadia ward in 1890 and a temporary pumping station was prepared for the purpose outside Astodia gate. This system got an impetus in 1924 and as a result of Sardar Vallabhbhai's presidentship drainage lines were laid throughout the city by 1932-33. The question of suburban drainage was under consideration during this time and the plan for it was ready on paper by 1933.

The drainage system in the city covers an area of 1200 acres while the suburban line will cover 3400 acres. The estimated expense will go up to 41 lacs. for which the municipality proposes to raise a loan of 25 lacs. It is believed that the work would be completed in five years, making the suburbs healthier places to live in.

MUNICIPALITY'S DUTY.

Sardar Vallabhbhai opening the section said that the city was in a peculiar position. Rao Bahadur Ranchhodlal Chhotalal, the pioneer of mill industry in the city who had the vision to see that modern amenities should be provided in the city if its industries were to be developed, brought in the water works for which he was abused all round. But now the citizens regarded water works as a great boon.

He also knew that drainage must be introduced along with water works and drains were laid in one part of the city in 1890. The drainage work was put off for more than thirty years after this while the mill industry went on flourishing and the population of the city had gone up to four lacs. If sanitation was not properly looked after in the suburbs they would become hotbeds of diseases. It was the duty of the municipality to provide the suburbs also with drains and other sanitary arrangements.

Sardar Patel congratulated the municipality for taking up the work in hand and said that it was necessary for the citizens to co-operate in such matters and to see that water is not wasted.

Dr. Hariprasad Desai in thanking Sardar Vallabhbhai said that the city was indebted to the Sardar not only for the work that he had done as president of the municipality but also for the advice he had been giving from time to time and for the great example of Social Service that he had taught his successors.

Gujerat Letter

KATHIAWAR GETS BUSY

Move To Hold Political Conference, Early

(From Our Correspondent.)

BARODA, February 19.

After a long time the peninsula of Kathiawar is buzzing with political activities. It has been decided by all leaders of Kathiawar that a session of the Kathiawar Political Conference should be called as early as possible. It is reported that Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel has expressed a desire that its session should be held in an Indian State. It was formerly held in places like Bhavnagar and Porbander. It may be mentioned here that the sessions of the States' People's Conference are as a rule held in Native States.

It is further learnt that the youths of Gujerat, and Kathiawar propose to hold a Conference of youths.

The Dhrangadhra situation does not show any improvement. The economic problems like port, customs, etc., remain still unsolved.

STATES' CHANCES

The polling at Ahmedabad, Surat, Baroda and other places show that Mr K. T. Shah stands a good chance of being elected to the Bombay Council.

LOCAL HIGH SCHOOL SENSATION

It is reported that recently a teacher of Sir Pratap High School of Idar beat mercilessly a student with sticks for refusing to give any details about some theft. It is understood the educational authorities of Idar State will look into the whole matter.

SMALL-POX IN SURAT

Small-pox is prevalent in Surat District and more than 100 cases are noted. The health authorities are taking adequate steps to check it. People have been advised to get themselves vaccinated.

HITLER AND MUSSOLINI AS EXAMPLES.

In the latest issue of the "Prajamandal", the organ of the Baroda State Prajamandal urged on the Maharaja, Gaekwar, to infuse life and blood into his subjects, and suggested the examples of Hitler and Mussolini who have achieved remarkable progress in their respective countries.

STRIKE IN JAGDISH MILL.

On 16th February the monthly paid labourers of Jagdish Mill, a local concern, went on strike for being refused leave on that day, although it was Sunday. The policy of the Management of the Mill would seem to be to allow only four days of leave in a month. And if a week-day happened to be a holiday, the following Sunday was sure to be a working day, thus causing great inconvenience to the workers. The recent strike has pushed the labour question to the forefront, whether workers would be paid on a monthly basis, irrespective of the number of holidays during the month.

With a view to pushing the sale of gramophone records in Sind, a recording company from Bengal have entered into a contract with about 28 wellknown musicians in Sind. These artistes have left Karachi for Calcutta where records will be made in Urdu and Sindhi.

Rajkot News

DHRANGADRA DURBAR'S QUIET SILVER JUBILEE

Marked Rise In Small-pox Figures

(From Our Correspondent.)

RAJKOT, February 20.

Dhrangadra Durbar returned to his capital Dhrangadra, this week from his European tour. His silver jubilee day exactly coincided with it. Twenty-five salutes were fired from the State battery but owing to the mourning observed in memory of H. I. M. late King-Emperor George V, no durbar was held.

THAKORE SAHIB'S BIRTHDAY

Thakore Saheb of Rajkot celebrated his birthday on 18th instant. No official durbar was held owing to the State being in mourning. Select officials and gentry met him in private and cordially greeted him.

AGENCY SUBJECTS' CONFERENCE

The proposed meeting of the Agency subjects is definitely fixed for the second week of March to be held at Wadhwan Camp. As yet, the name of the president is not made public.

SMALL-POX HAVOC

Small-pox figures from week to week show a marked rise. There were 739 attacks and 157 deaths, this week while the corresponding figures for the preceding week were 462 attacks and 93 deaths due to Small-pox raging in several States of Kathiawar under the Western India States Agency. The figures of attacks and deaths for the two weeks respectively for Rajkot stood at 109 and 55 and 168 and 56. Jamnagar accounted for 287 attacks and 71 deaths. Junagadh 123 and 3, and Porbander 7 and 16, respectively.

SALT WORKS FOR JAMNAGAR

The Government of India conferred upon Jam Saheb Sir Digvijaysinhji, the title of Major on 14th instant. Jamnagar State has decided to open Salt Works very soon and has consulted several prominent chemists as to the successful working of the institution.

FATAL MOTOR ACCIDENT

A serious motor accident occurred here on Dharmedra Road yesterday when a private motor knocked down a young Rajput cyclist aged about 10 years and ran over his body. The boy died immediately.

RAMAKRISHNA ANNIVERSARY.

The local Ramakrishna mission has, in consultation with the Central Body, have decided to celebrate the anniversary of Sri. Ramakrishna Paramhansa in a fitting manner from 24th instant.

It also organised three public meetings, in the local Connaught Hall on 15th, 16th and 17th which were largely attended.

HARILAL GANDHI'S CONVERSION

Shrimatis Baliben and Kamuben the two sisters-in-law of Mr. Harilal Gandhi, eldest son of Mahatmaji when asked about the reported conversion of Mr. Harilal to Christianity, felt unconcerned. Even his own daughter Manuben who was recently married, is undisturbed by the news.

The late Dr. M. V. Parulkar, M.B.B.S., who passed away at Dadar on Monday, was a staunch nationalist and served in the Congress ambulance during the C. D. movement.

GOKHALE, A GIANT PARLIAMENTARIAN

He Produced Wonderful Impression In Political Life, Says Sapru

(From Our Correspondent.)

ALLAHABAD, Feb. 20.

Glowing tributes to late Mr. Gokhale were paid by Congressmen, Liberals and others at a public meeting held under the auspices of the Hindu Hostel Literary Union yesterday evening. Sir T. B. Sapru presided. Mr. Chintamani, Dr. Katju, Mr. Purshottamdas Tandon, Mrs. Uma Nehru, Munshi Iswar Saran and others were present.

Sir Tej Bahadur in the course of his speech said, "Nature had endowed Mr. Gokhale with intellectual gifts of the highest character and he decided to lead a life of dedication during the last 30 years of his life. There had not been a single man who produced that impression in political life which Gokhale produced in his day. The extension of the representative form of Government such as took place in 1909 was almost entirely due to Mr. Gokhale.

GREAT PARLIAMENTARIAN.

Sir Tej pointed out Gokhale's gifts were not those of a mass leader but essentially of parliamentary character. His mind probably was more synthetical than analytical. He was great negotiater, had a sense of opportuneness and knew how to use opportunity.

Sir Tej regretted there was no biography of Gokhale and hoped the Servants of India Society would soon arrange for a complete biography. Lastly Sir Tej said Gokhale's public and private life in most complete accord with each other.

Baroda News

BARODA STATE PRAJAMANDAL

13th Session To Be Held In May At Kathor

(From Our Correspondent.)

BARODA, February 20.

The 13th session of the Baroda State Prajamandal will be held at Rathor in Navsari District, in the month of May. Dr. Sumant Mehta's name has been suggested for the presidentship of the session.

MR. TAMBE ELECTED

Mr. Gangadharrao Madhavrao Tambe has been unanimously elected as vice-President of the Sayaji Sahkar Sevak Sangh and now fills the vacancy caused by the demise of Sheth Chimanlal G. Zhaverlaxmichandawala.

JUBILEE FUND COMMITTEE

The Government of Baroda has appointed a committee, under the chairmanship of Naibdewan Mr. Manilal B. Nanavaty, to devise ways and means for the rural uplift scheme as outlined in the message of Maharaja Gaekwar to his subjects on the occasion of the Diamond Jubilee while announcing creation of a trust fund of one crore of rupees. The Committee will see that its objective is fulfilled, viz., "the ideal to develop all sides of rural life."

Dr. Sumant Mehta May Preside

BARODA, Feb 21.

The 13th session of the Baroda State Prajamandal will be held at Kathor in Navsari District in the month of May. It is likely that Dr. Sumant Mehta will preside over the session.

According to a report published in the "Muslim Gujarat", a weekly of Surat, Sir Raza Ali's Hindu wife has decided to embrace Islam.

The Baroda Diamond Jubilee Fund has exceeded Rs. 7,00,000. The district of Mehsana alone has donated more than Rs. 2,00,000 to the fund.

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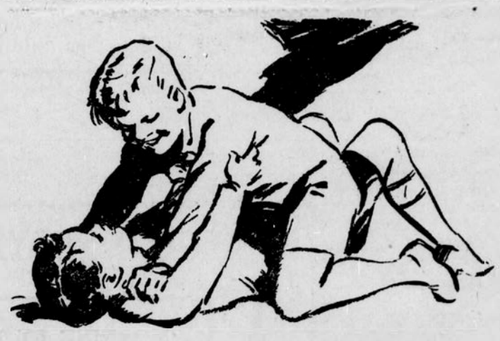

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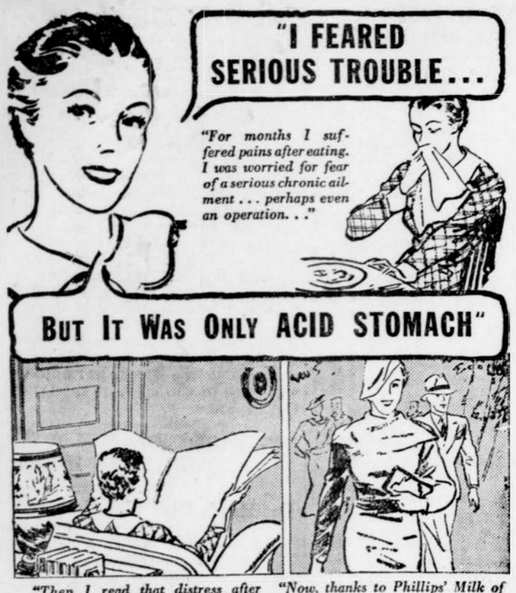
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Our Cairo Letter

Estrangement Between Nejd And Kuwait

CAUSE OF TROUBLE REMAINS YET UNREMOVED

Discussion Re: Customs Duty And Pilgrimage Tax Deferred

(From Our Correspondent.)

CAIRO, (By Mail).

H. M. King Ibn Saud arrived in Kuwait with his royal retinue comprising of 700 people, 152 motor cars and other paraphernalia. The Shaikh of Kuwait received Ibn Saud at Anifan, a distance of six hours' run by motor car from the city, spent his night there with His Majesty, and next morning the whole party arrived in Kuwait, in a big procession. A very big banquet was held in honour of the king in which the British Consul and other important personages were present.

This visit of H. M. King Ibn Saud was not at all expected in Kuwait, because both the Shaikh of Kuwait and King Ibn Saud were not coming in any settlement of two problems for the last 10 years. The first of these problems is the establishment of a customs' office by the Government of Ibn Saud on the border of Najd, and the second in allowing the pilgrims from Kuwait to perform the pilgrimage without the payment of any tax.

BONE OF CONTENTION

The point at issue is that Kuwait being the nearest market to the northern part of Najd, the people of Najd used to carry their goods to Kuwait to sell them and buy the necessary things from there. Besides Kuwait being nearer to Najd, the Najdis had another very great facility which attracted them to the market of Kuwait, and this was the payment of a nominal duty of 3 to 5 p.c. to the Kuwait Government. When things were going on smoothly, Ibn Saud levied a duty of 60 to 70 p.c. on the goods that passed to and fro Najd, and asked the permission of the Shaikh of Kuwait to establish a customs' office on the frontiers of Kuwait and Najd.

This, the Shaikh of Kuwait refused to do, and, consequently, there was an estrangement between the two countries. When Ibn Saud opened the new port of Al-Hassa near Bahrain, he forbade his people from trading with the inhabitants of Kuwait. Now the people of Kuwait having no other source of income tried to smuggle the goods through the Beduins into Iraq. The Iraq Government came to know that a very large quantity of goods were smuggled into the country without the payment of duties (which also were about 50 to 60 p.c.) and that there were many clashes between the Kuwaits and Iraqis in which the Iraqi guards were often overcome an order was issued to stop the Kuwaits wholesale.

APPEAL TO SHAIKH.

Then they tried the same experiment on the side of Iran for sometime, and met with the same fate. The people of Kuwait, being vexed on all sides, approached their Shaikh in a body, and requested him to go to Rivaz (the capital of Najd) and settle the matter with King Ibn Saud. The Shaikh of Kuwait paid a visit to Ibn Saud about two years ago with a view to settle the dispute with him, but it was all in vain. Now Ibn Saud came to Kuwait to return the visit of the Shaikh, and the people of Kuwait were overjoyous to receive him because they thought that he would amicably settle the long-standing dispute and thus strengthen the friendly relations between the two countries. Things turned out the other way.

DISCUSSION POSTPONED

The King stayed in Kuwait for seven days and then returned to Riyaz. During his sojourn in Kuwait he not only did nothing towards the settlement of the dispute but declared that every pilgrim from Kuwait must pay a tax of £5, in gold when he came to Hedjaz for pilgrimage. The two Powers have postponed the discussion till the end of Haj ceremony.

Mr. De Valera Grieved

TRAGIC DEATH OF HIS SON

Subhas Bose Still Busy

(From Our Own Correspondent).

DUBLIN, Feb. 10.

(By Air Mail).

Ireland is in mourning. The grief of President de Valera and his family is shared by the whole nation. Brian de Valera, his promising 20-year old lad, was taken away from us by the hand of death which is taking its victims in all parts of the world since the beginning of the New Year rather swiftly and in tragic circumstances. Only a few days ago Mr. de Valera sent a message of sympathy to Queen Mary on the death of King George V. And this morning King Edward VIII and the "Daily Express" sent Mr. de Valera a message assuring him that the British nation shares with him and his family the great loss that has befallen them by the death of Brian.

Brian de Valera, while riding in the Phoenix Park yesterday with a cousin, struck his head against the overhanging bough of a tree and was thrown from his horse. He was taken in the car of a passing motorist to the Mater Misericordiae Hospital but died from concussion four hours later. He was 20 years of age and was a student of Engineering and Mathematics at University College, Dublin. Mr. de Valera, who was summoned by telephone, arrived with his son Eamon, shortly after Brian's admission to the private hospital.

ENGLISHMAN AND POKER.

Vivian de Valera, the eldest son of the President has rushed back to Dublin abandoning the debating tour of English Universities. The tour started only on last Saturday. De Valera, and Belfast's R. J. G. McCrudden, opposed the motion "that the future prosperity of Ireland lies within the British Commonwealth of Nations" and they won the debate. McCrudden went to Nottingham this afternoon (with a substitute fellow-tourist) to argue "that the Englishman has all the characteristics of a poker, without its occasional warmth." Young de Valera, is a good speaker, with an earnest direct manner and many of his father's vivid gestures. He made his first public speech in 1923, at the age of 12, at a Sinn Fein meeting in Dublin presided over by Mrs. Tom Clarke, whose husband was executed in 1916. Bespectacled and bare-kneed, he was deputising for his father, who had just been put under arrest by Free State Government of which he is now the head "Ireland will one day be free from sea to sea" said little Vivian.

SUBASH BOSE'S PROGRAMME.

The death of Brian de Valera has naturally forced Mr. Subash Chandra Bose to make slight alterations in his programme here. Since writing to you on Friday last he has seen several other prominent men in the country. He was to see Mr. de Valera this afternoon, as the two leaders wanted to have a final talk before Subash Babu leaves for Havre tomorrow night. His conversations with Mr. Ryan, the Minister for Agriculture, are of great importance to India. He discussed with him the agricultural policy of the Fianna Fail Party and its attempt to make the country self-contained in food-stuffs. Mr. Bose was particularly interested in obtaining the views of Mr. Ryan on the question of "jute restriction" in India in order to giving the agriculturists a higher price for the jute they grow. I am sure Mr. Ryan must have given Mr. Bose some valuable suggestions which he will be able to put his countrymen after his return to India.

There were several questions of common interest which made Mr. Bose spend considerable time of his afternoon on Friday with Mr. Sean T. O'Kelly, Minister for Local Government, and Vice-President of the Cabinet. However, the most important talk that the Indian leader had was with the Dublin Trades Council. It is a powerful body working as the central trade union committee for Dublin. The Council acquainted Mr. Bose with the useful work that it has been doing for several years for the upliftment and social amelioration of the working class of this country.

INDIAN WOMEN'S MOVEMENT.

Apart from these conversations, Mr. Bose finds himself surrounded by Irish pressmen, representatives of political, social, women's organs and magazines. They all want his views on different Indian subjects. With great difficulty—because of want of time—he could give an interview referring to the women of India. In the course of this interview he has told the Irish nation that the women of India have been aspiring to take their proper place in the social and political movements of their country. The Indian women's movement, according to him, has three main lines of activity. Firstly, there is the movement for giving Indian women literary, artistic, and practical training through institutions like the Seva Sadan of Bombay, Indian Women's University of Poona, the Saroj Nalini Association of Calcutta. Then there is the movement for Women's rights conducted by the All-India Women's Conference and other organisations run on feminist lines; and the political movement which is closely associated with the Indian National Congress.

Mr. Bose delivered another public lecture under the auspices of the Indian-Irish Independence League. He was enthusiastically received by the large crowd of Irish men and women. "As in Ireland," he said, "British Imperialists have tried to impose their language and culture on the people of India, but so far as the cultural domination of India is concerned, the worst is over. In India to-day we have a revival of our own culture adapted to modern conditions. We are told now that all is quiet on the Indian front, but that is not true. That is British propaganda. In fact, the movement for independence in India is going on on different lines from those of the past."

"The British Government in India," Mr. Bose continued "has profited by its experience in Ireland. As it is unpopular for it to have martial law, it has had all the regulations normally found under martial law made the permanent law of the land. Before the new constitution for India is planned these "Emergency Ordinances" have been made the permanent law."

Madame Gonne MacBridge, who presided, said that telegrams had been received from Mrs. Despard and from two Indian groups in London, joining in the welcome to Mr. Bose.

Several other speakers expressed an opinion that contacts between the two countries—India and Ireland—would lead to fruitful results for both in their struggle for liberty.

To-night Mr. Bose will attend a meeting of the Universities Republican Club. He has sent a message of condolence to Mr. de Valera and by the time this is posted to you he may have personally called on the Irish President to convey his deep sorrow at the great loss suffered by Mr. Emmon de Valera and his family.

IMPROVEMENTS IN STORAGE MACHINERY

Agricultural Council Invites Applications For Awards

NEW DELHI, Feb. 20.

According to the announcement made by the Imperial Council of Agricultural Research that one gold and two or three silver medals will be awarded annually for improvements of distinct merit in the science and art of agricultural and animal husbandry of All-India importance, applications have been invited for the award of the prizes during 1937 for improvements in machinery for preparing crops for the market, for food or for storage entries.—A.P.

'REDUCE RENT' CAMPAIGN

1,000 Kisans Of Patna To Wait On Dist. Magistrate

PATNA. Feb. 20.

The "Mal Guzari Kum Karo" (reduce rent) movement initiated by the Behar Provincial Kishan Sabha has lately been started by the local Kishan leaders within the jurisdiction of Bakhtiarpore, Harnaut, Barh and Silao police stations. Public meetings and spectacular processions are the main features of the movement.

It is understood that a deputation of no less than 1,000 Kishans is being organised with Babu Harihar Prasad Sinha, as its spokesman, with a view to meet shortly the District Magistrate at Patna to expound before him the grievances of the Kishans and pray for the redress of the same. —United Press.

A London message says supplementary estimates for 7,800,000 for navy and army and air force mainly incurred concentration of British forces in Egypt and Mediterranean will probably be debated in Commons on Monday next.

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BAHWALPUR AGITATION CONTINUES

Arrests And Prohibitory Orders Galore

(From Our Correspondent)

AMRITSAR, Feb 20

The Bahawalpur agitation shows no signs of abatement. Fresh arrests and prohibitory orders against outside Hindus entering the State continue to be the order of the day. At a meeting held in Amritsar on the 16th instant under the auspices of the Young Men's Association, resolutions expressing sympathy with the Hindus and Sikhs of Bahawalpur and requesting the A. G. G. to redress their grievances were adopted.

SAFETY FIRST FOR WORKERS

What may be regarded as an interesting and unique experiment to minimise factory accidents among workers is now being tried by the Jalala Flour Mills of Amritsar. Big posters in Vernaculars, instructing of 'Safety First' Movement' are posted at prominent places in the mills. This experiment was highly commended at the meeting of the Amritsar Rotary Club as being worthy of emulation by other Industrialists.

A meeting of Hindus of Karachi city was held at the Khalikdina Hall under the presidency of Dr. G. T. Hingorani. The meeting passed several resolutions protesting against the alleged illtreatment of Hindus in Bahawalpur state, demanding that a Hindu Minister must be appointed in the state to safeguard the interests of Hindus of State, and offering to send a Hindu Jatha if the Bahawalpur Hindus so desired.

TRADE AND FINANCE

Money Easy With Call Rate 1/2 Per Cent.

Investment Buying In Securities

GOOD OFFTAKE IN SILVER

WEEKLY MARKET REVIEWS

(From Our Special Correspondent.)
Bombay, Feb. 20.

MONEY.

Money is still easy, call funds being available at 1/2 per cent A movement in demand for trade has not been sufficient to affect the monetary position in the market. Fixed deposit rates are unchanged:—3 months at 1 per cent and 6 months at 1 1/2 per cent

GILTEDGED MARKET.

Gilt-edged were steady with good inquiry for investment allround. 3 1/2 per cent Paper after being stationary at Rs. 97-9 improved to Rs. 97-12. Other scrips were placed in moderate amounts at sligtly improved rates. 3 per cent 1941 and 1951-54 new loan kept steady at Rs. 104-8 and Rs. 103-6 respectively. 3 1/2 per cent 1947-50 loan moved between Rs. 107-2 and Rs. 106-14; 4 per cent 1943 bonds between Rs. 110-5 and Rs. 110; 4 per cent 1960-70 loan between Rs. 112-5 and Rs. 112-3 and 4 1/2 per cent 1955-60 loan between Rs. 119-7 and Rs. 119-4. 5 per cent 1939-44 loan kept steady throughout at Rs. 109-10 and 5 per cent 1945-55 (Tax Free) loan at Rs. 119-10. 5 per cent 1940-43 loan changed hands at Rs. 112 and 5 1/2 per cent 1938-40 loan at Rs. 108-10.

EXCHANGE.

Sterling exchange was steady with practically no change in rates; sellers qnoted 1s. 6 7/64d. and buyers 1s. 6 9/64d. The turnover was moderate business transacted in connection with export of gold being largely for forward. The enquiry for remittances was relatively small imports of silver having decreased during this week. Tenders to Government amount to £2,852,000, of which approximately 35 per cent were allotted at 1s. 6 1/8d

In the foreign exchange market in London, sterling/dollar rate opened at dol 4.98 5/16 and after rising to dol 4.99 15/16 in mid-week declined and closed at dol 4.99 13/16. The Paris London rate moved between Frs. 74.93 and Frs. 74.62. The Belga and the Guilder fluctuated between 29.36 1/2 and 29.28 and 7.28 1/4 and 7.26 1/4 respectively. The Italian Lira finished at 62/18.

GOLD.

Gold was steady with good demand for all positions, but business done was for forward deliveries extending to April. The quotation for ready steadily improved from Rs. 34-11-3 to *Rs. 34-13-6 on Tuesday and closed at* Rs. 34-13-3. The turnover was fair-*sized for forward deliveries. Daily* arrivals average about 15,000 tolas, and stocks on hand are estimated at about 75,000 tolas. The offtake is unchanged at about 2,000 tolas a day. Last week's shipment of gold per s.s. "Kaisar-I-Hind" amounted to Rs. 92.68 lacs. The price of gold in London after improving from 140s. 10 1/2d to 141. 2d. on Tuesday closed at 141s. 0 1/2d. The highest and lowest rates in our market were Rs. 34-13-6 and Rs. 34-11-3 for ready. Rs. 34-13 and Rs. 34-11 for March 9 settlement and Rs. 34-12-9 and Rs. 34-10-3 for April 14 settlement. The price of sovereigns was Rs 22-6-6 for ready and Rs. 22-6 for March 6 settlement. Total imports during the week amounted to Rs. 39,183 in bar and coin.

SILVER.

Silver was steady on continued good offtake for ready. Owing to this being the settlement week railings were quite large averaging about 500 bars a day. Ready opening at Rs. 50-2 declined to Rs. 49-12 early in the week, but improved closing at Rs. 50-1. Stocks including last week's arrivals amount to about 5,000 bars and silver "en route" is valued at £329,600. Total imports during the week amounted to 4,192 bars and Rs. 17,952 in coin. The highest and lowest rates of the metal in London were 20 1/16d and 19 13/16d for spot and 19 7/8d and 19 11/16d for two months forward. The Shanghai dollar moved between 1/2 1/2 and 1/2 7/16. In our market the highest and lowest rates were Rs. 50-3 and Rs. 49-12 for ready, Rs. 49-12 and Rs. 49-5 for March 13 settlement and Rs. 49-10 and Rs. 49-3 for April 14 settlement.

SHARES.

The share market was quiet with sellers predominating and buyers holding back Prices dropped all-round Tata Ordys. from Rs. 146 to Rs. 143 and Defds. after declining from Rs. 546-4 to Rs. 521-4 closed at Rs. 533-12. Among cotton mill shares, Bombay Dyeings lost about five points to Rs. 672-8 and Centurys to Rs. 160-10. In Bank shares, Central Banks after an early recession from Rs. 34-12 to Rs. 34-8 improved to Rs. 34-14; Imperials fully paid moved between Rs. 1,551-4 *and Rs. 1,547-8 and partly paid be*tween Rs. 380 and Rs. 378-12. In *Hydro-electrics, Andhra Valleys drop*ped from Rs. 1,617-8 to Rs. 1,610 and Tata Powers from Rs. 1,543-12 to Rs. 1,527-8 Cement group of shares moved narrowly Bundis closing at Rs. *33-6; Indians at Rs. 430-10 and Katni* Ordys. at Rs. 348-12. Among miscel*laneous, Belapurs declined from Rs.* 168-2 to Rs. 162-8 and Bombay Burmas from Rs. 393-2 to Rs. 387-8.

RICE AND WHEAT IMPROVEMENT

Imperial Council Constitutes Standing Committees

NEW DELHI, Feb. 21.

According to the recommendations of the Crop Planning Conference and in consultation with Local Governments and constituent States, the Imperial Council of Agricultural Research has constituted two standing committees on rice and wheat which will consider all matters pertaining to production, marketing and General improvement of the two crops respectively. Members of the committees will be appointed for a period of two years in the first instance.

The personnel of the committees with the vice-Chairman of the Imperial Council of Agricultural Research as ex-officio chairman will include among others the Agricultural Expert of the Imperial Council, the Agricultural Marketing Adviser to the Government of India, the Director-General of Commercial Intelligence and Statistics, the statistician of the Imperial Council, eight representatives of rice growers in the case of the rice committee, one each from Madras, Bombay, Bengal, United Provinces, Burma, Bihar and Orissa, Central Provinces and Assam and in the case of the wheat committee, five representatives of wheat growers, one each from the United Provinces, Punjab, Bihar and Orissa, Central Provinces and Sind and others.—A.P.

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BANK OF ENGLAND RETURN

London, Feb 20

	This week
	£
Total Bullion	201,300,000
Public Deposits	11,100,000
(a) Other Deposits	143,600,000
Government securities	78,700,000
(b) Other securities	29,800,000
Notes and Coins	63,700,000
Notes in Circulation	396,900,000
Ratio of Reserve to Liabilities	41.65%
(a) Other Deposits include bankers	107,600,000
(b) Other Securities include, Discount and Advances	11,700,000

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

London, February 20.

	£
Rupee Paper 3-1/2 per cent.	72
Indian Stock 3 per cent. 1948 or later	86
Indian Stock 3-1/2 per cent. 1931 or later	92-1/8
Indian Stock 4-1/2 per cent. 1950/55	117
Consols 2-1/2 per cent	85-5/8
Conversion Loan 3-1/2 per cent. 1961	108-5/8
War Loan 3-1/2 per cent 1952	107-3/8
Funding Loan 4 per cent. 1960/69	118-3/4
Victory Bonds 4 per cent	115-3/8
Chartered Bank of I. A. and China	14-7/8
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank	
London Reg.	100-1/2
National Bank of India	46
P. & O. Banking Corporation.	10

LONDON METALS

London February 20

	£
Copper Brazier	50
Spelter Hard Indian Brands	14-7/8
Tin English Ingots Liverpool F O B	209
Yellow Metal	40-1/4
Corrugated sheets 24 gauge	12-3/4

LONDON PRODUCE.

London, February 20

Wheat Rozario Sents Fe. nominal.
Wheat Barletta Russo. nominal.
Wheat South Australians Feb sellers 30/0.

LONDON EXCHANGES.

London. February 20

T T. London on :—

New York closing rate	4.98-13/16
Paris	74.69
Berlin	12.28-1/2
Madrid	36.04
Amsterdam	7.26-1/2
Brussels	29.28-1/2
Milan	82.18
Berne	15.09-1/4
Prague	118.93

INDIA'S OVERSEAS TRADE

The Collector of Customs, Bombay, has issued the following to the Press:

The following monthly figures of Indian Overseas Trade have been received from the Director-General of Commercial Intelligence and Statistics, Calcutta, for the month of January, 1936:

	Rupees Lakhs.
A. Total imports of private merchandise	13,06
B. Total Exports of Private merchandise	14,33
C. Net movement of treasure exports	2,89
D. Total visible balance of trade, merchandise and treasure in favour of India	4,22*
E. Balance of remittances of funds adverse to India	6,97

*Excluding goods such as Railway materials for State Railways under Company Management which are not paid for in the ordinary way and cannot be taken into account in the balance of trade.—A.P.

Fears Of A Crushing Excise Tax On Cotton Manufactures In U.S.A.

New York, Jan 27.

Messrs. E. J. Schwabach and Co. have issued the following cotton review:—

During the past fortnight the cotton market has maintained an advancing tendency with sharp variations between old and new crop differences. Prices have risen substantially from the recent lows and, as forecast in our last letter, new crop months have shown the greatest strength in response to active short covering.

With the maturing of January contracts within 5 points of 11.80c, at which the pool manager has been placing contracts for sale, considerable confusion exists as to what price this Government agency will consider acceptable as a liquidating basis for its March holdings. We incline toward the theory that, having transferred January to May in considerable volume at a substantial discount under March, they will now be able to utilize this profit to get out of March contracts without loss somewhere around 11.50c if they so desire.

With the depletion of free stocks of American and the virtual corner which the Government maintains in spot cotton, fortified by the favourable statistical position, it seems likely that Government holdings must eventually be drawn upon at higher prices than now prevail.

LOAN EXTENSION

Reports are current that the 12c loans which expire *that a bill will* either be extended or that a bill will be rushed through Congress permitting the Government to take over title and dispose of *the staple in set quan*tities—probably 20,000 bales—each week. *Any concrete plan for dispos*ing of the Government's holdings would be decidedly constructive for the entire world trade.

The new crop months have fluctuated *violently in an effort to discount* the feverish efforts of the Administration *to develop a Constitutional and* effective stop-gap plan for crop control.

SOIL CONSERVATION

The substitute for the A. A. A., submerged in the soil conservation act of 1935 was thrown out last week by a sub-committee in the Senate, and the Dept. of Agriculture is now concocting a plan basing control on authority of the individual States. President Roosevelt stated last week that there were 15 or more ways of working out plans. With the trade facing almost daily innovations from Washington for saving the farmer from himself, further nervous fluctuations in the market seem inevitable. This uncertainty would be demoralizing were it not for the fortunately favourable statistical position of nearly all our domestic commodities.

Periods of weakness may be expected in new crop months but we reiterate our belief that there can be no quick and radical change in cotton acreage during the coming season and that weather, temperatures and usual hazards will mainly determine the size of the crop.

NEW MOVE

The Administration is apparently doing its utmost to create some way of recompensing itself for the processing taxes which have been unequivocally ordered released from escrow. It is reported that Treasury officials are working out a tax programme to collect money for any new farm programme that may eventually be hit upon. The trade is in a state of great anxiety regarding this development, fearing that this may entail a crushing excise tax on the manufacture of cotton goods. Even if the mills get back the escrow taxes and return them to the buyers of goods that have contracts with them, they face a badly complicated situation if an excise tax is levied, especially if such a tax is made retroactive.

It would require a clairvoyant to hazard more than a tentative opinion as to the course of prices until such time as this Administration is either banned next November from further tampering with the law of supply and demand, or until such time as they themselves recognize the dangers in their activities and gradually get out of the spot and futures markets through a clearly announced and strictly adhered to policy which will take the breaks off of a pent up world demand.

The U. S. deficit faces a record despite the growth of new taxes. New levies at best will probably cover only the lost A. A. A. income while the Federal outgo will reach a new peak. Congress is showing signs of uneasiness over more taxing which might prove a boomerang in elections.

INFLATIONARY FEARS

The Senate is certain to follow the house in passing the bonus measure over the President's veto. Appropriations now being sought are adding to the spread of inflationary fears and the dollar remains under pressure.

We continue of the opinion that purchases of cotton are advisable during periods of easiness and advise mills that desire to cover requirements for the balance of this year to purchase new crops since the Government corner in the actual makes it inadvisable to purchase spots unless needed for immediate orders.

AMERICAN COTTON MARKETS

NEW YORK COTTON.
New York, February 20.

March	11.36
May	10.85
July	10.54
October	10.20
December	10.22
January	10.26
Middling Spot	11.50

NEW ORLEANS COTTON.
New York, February 20.

March	11.27
May	10.81
July	10.51
Middling Spot	11.31

NEW YORK
New York, February 20

New York 10-55 A M.—	
March	11.31
May	10.87
July	10.57
New York Noon Call—	
March	11.32
May	10.87
July	10.57

NEW YORK COTTON DAILY STATISTICS.
New York February 20

	Lales
Days receipts at all U. S ports	10,000
Days exports to Great Britain	Nil.
Day's exports to the continent	3,000

LIVERPOOL COTTON
Liverpool, February 20

February	5.91
March	5.88
April	5.82
May	5.78
June	5.75
July	5.69
August	5.61
September	5.55
October	5.47
November	5.43
December	5.42
January	5.42
February	5.41
Middling Spot	6.18
To-day's 10-12 A.M Quotations	
July	5.72
October	5.59

EGYPTIAN COTTON
Liverpool, February 20

F. G. F. SAKELLARIDIS	
March	8.66
May	8.45
July	8.24
October	8.02
November	7.90
January	7.82
F G F. Spot	9.18

INDIAN COTTON
Liverpool, February 20

Broach—	
Fully Good (Good Staple)	5.24
Fine (Good Staple)	5.09
Superfine (Good Staple)	5.54
Oomra—	
Fine (No. 1 Staple	5.38
Superfine (No. 1 Staple)	5.53
Choice (No. 1 Staple)	5.68
Bengal—	
Good	3.98
Fully Good	4.07
Fine	4.19
Oinde—	
Fully Good	4.31
Fine	4.45
Superfine	4.57

SEEDS
London, February 20

Linseed La Plata Hull c. i. f. ton Feb. sellers £10-17-6.
Linseed Calcutta London, c. i. f. ton Feb./Mar. sellers £12-15-0.
Linseed Bombay London, c. i. f. ton Feb./Mar. sellers £13-0-0.
Rapeseed Toria Hull/Con't c. i. f. ton Feb./Mar. sellers £12-2-6.
Castorseeds Bombay Hull c. i. f. ton Feb /Mar. sellers £12-5-0

LINSEED OILS.
London, February 20

Linseed Oils naked London per cwt. Mar. sellers 26/3
Linseed Oils naked London per cwt. May/Aug. sellers 26/6

LONDON RUBBER
London, February 20

Smoked Sheet Standard Ribbed per lb 7-3/8 sellers

LONDON SILVER
London, February 20

Spot	20
Forward	19-13/16

LONDON GOLD.
London, February 20.

Gold Bars, Fine per oz. £7/1-1

LONDON DISCOUNT RATES.
London. February 20.

Bank Bills 3 months market rate 9/16 per cent. to 9/16 per cent.
Bank Bills 6 months market rate 5/8 per cent. to 5/8 per cent.
Fine Trade Bills 3 months market rate 2 per cent. to 2-1/2 per cent.
Fine Trade Bills 6 months market rate 2-1/2 per cent. to 3 per cent.
Interest Day to Day Loan 3/8 per cent. to 1/2 per cent.
Interest 7 Days Market Loan 1/2 per cent.

JAVA SUGAR LONDON MARKET
London, February 20

Java Sugar, Fine White Dutch Standard No. 25 C & F Calcutta.
Feb./Mar. Nominal per cwt. 6/10 1/2
C & F Bombay :—
Feb./Mar. Nominal per cwt. 6/7-1/2
C & F Karachi :—
Feb./Mar Nominal per cwt. 6/7-1/2

NEW YORK COFFEE.
New York, February 20.

Fair Rio Coffee (No. 7 quality) 6-3/4

CHRONIC DEPRESSION IN JUTES

Calcutta, Feb 14

Messrs. Bhagwanlal Nanavati and Co. have issued the following report:

JUTE

A sort of chronic depression continues to rule the markets affecting the Jute trade. Sluggish conditions in the manufactured and raw commodities markets continue to depress activities on our local stock exchange market. The situation of the Jute Mills created by discord and differences among the associated and non-associated mills over the question of working hours has become so very awkward that no definite opinion could be vouchsafed about the future course of the prices of Jute shares. On one hand, we hear, Government is rather reluctant to interfere unless some sort of workable compromise is agreed upon by the contending groups while on the other hand futile attempts have been made by interested parties for an amicable sttlement. Matters as they stand today do not augur well for the future. The investing public are left in a state of suspense. The monetary conditions being easy, the Jute shares offer vehement attraction for investment but the future being in the lap of the paramount power, there has been a total absence of outside buying inquiry. The local speculators naturally pause before they plunge into new commitments. We are afraid no further light on the subject will be available before the middle of March when affairs will be intolerable in view of the approaching termination of the working agreement. We hope, the Government, if not the trade, will intervene at the right moment to avert the catastrophe. Reverting to actual transactions during the period under review, the price of speculative medium Howrah opening very strong was pushed up to Rs. 49/14 but at this level profit taking was noticeable and the prices sagged by Rupees two 47/14 being the bottom price. During the closing period bear covering coupled with rumours about the possibility of settlement on 48 hours' working basis buoyed up the market and the rate was in the region of 48/12. Kamarhatty and Kanknarrah were quoting 475 Ex. Div and 385 Ex. respectively. Bally and Barnagore were ruling 177 and 126 respectively. Fort William and Fort Gloster were done at 260 and 440 respectively. Budge Budge and Belvedere were quoting 252 and 317 respectively. Delta were marked at 295, New Central at 285, Albion at 185. In Bird group Auckland were ruling 178, Lansdowne 126, Dalhousie 290, Union 378, Standard 280 India came to business at 287, Anglo-India 386, Gourepore 600, Champdany 160. In small denominated Shares, National changed hands at 20/12, Clive Rs. 23/4, Birla 12/12, Hukumchand Rs. 10, Adamjee Rs. 13, Agarpara 20/8, Presidency 4/4, Reliance 64/8, Empire Rs. 26/12 *Dividend: Kelvin Rs. 12/8, Empire* -/10/-, Presidency -/1/-, Equitable Re. 1

Cotton: No change. Kesoram hovered round Rs. 3.

Coal: There is a lull in tais Section. The Railway tendres are out but no *activity is noticeable. The rates paid* by the Railways are a trifle higher than those paid last year, but not attractive enough to affect the coal shares. Equitable were registered at *34/6, Burrakur Rs. 10, Bengal Nagpore* Rs. 29, Talcher -/14/-, Burra Dheno 2/2, Hurriladih 17/4, Katrae-Jharriah 19, Standard 30/6, Bokaro-Ramgarh 9/2.

MISCELLANEOUS

This section disclosed no special feature. In Engineering group Indian Iron and Steel were quoting Rs. 8/8, Bengal Iron firm at Rs. 3/9, Marshalls were done at -/12/-, Burn and Co. ordinary were taken at 265. In Sugar section Carew were taken at Rs. 21, Cawnpore 35/8, Murray Breevery done at 217, New Savan 10/14, Samastipur 9/2, Raza Sugar steady at Rs. 14, Burma Corporation moved in the region of Rs 7. B. I. C. ordinary were steady at 3/8, Indian Wood Products were marked at Rs. 25/4, Midnapore Zemindary at Rs. 61, Bengal Aerating Gas were reported at Rs. 59. In Electrical Issues, Agra were done at Rs. 127, Jubbulpore Rs. 13. In Paper issues Bengal Paper were quoting 108, Titaghur ordinary 24/12, Titaghur Deferred 10/12. Reserve Bank were inactive round Rs. 129.

Recommend Purchases Of Indian Cotton

Bombay, Feb. 20.

Messrs. P. Chrystal and Co., have issued the following report:—

Since we wrote our last Weekly Report the nett changes in the Cotton Futures markets have been as under:—

NEW YORK.

	May.	July.
11-2-36	10.80	10.49
19-2-36	10.91	10.60
	+.11	+.11

LIVERPOOL.

	May.	July.
11-2-36	5.76	5.68
19-2-36	5.83	5.74
	+.07	+.06

BOMBAY.

	Broach A/May.	Oomra March.	Bengal March.
13-2-36	195-0-0	178-4-0	140-8-0
20-2-36	196-0-0	179-0-0	142-4-0
	+1-0-0	+0-12-0	+1-12-0

There has been little change in the American markets during the week.

Interest has been mainly centered on the activities of the Cotton Pool authorities who are reported to have sold about 75,000 Bales of spot cotton since they began selling on the 10th inst., and have continued to avail themselves of the ruling discounts to transfer their holdings of near month futures into distant months.

It is predicted that the Smith Bill will shortly be passed by the Senate and if this eventually becomes law we shall see one of President Roosevelt's promises fulfilled for the orderly marketing of about 25,000 bales per week until the stock of Government cotton is finally liquidated.

If the present high figure for exports from America continues for the remainder of the season together with a normal offtake for domestic Mill consumption no trouble should be experienced in disposing of 6,00,000 bales of Government cotton by July 31st, as the supply of free cotton in the United States on that date looks like being a very small one.

We commented last week on the statistical strength of the local market, and have no reason to alter our opinion that Indian cotton is now at an attractive buying level. For some time past there has been a keen demand from exporters for P/American styles, and although this crop has been an exceptionally large one there has been a distinct hardening in basis during the week both for 4F, and also the longer stapled varities. If our present parity continues we anticipate that the better stapled Broach styles will be the next to attract attention, in which case we shall see an increase in their premium also over the April/May contract.

We therefore continue to recommend purchases of Indian cotton as we feel sure that they will show an eventual profit.

QUOTATIONS OF LOCAL MILL CLOTH

(Issued by the Hindustani Native Merchant's Association)
Bombay, Feb. 20.

	Rs. a. p. Per lb.
KHADI—	
Textile	0 7 6
Bradbury	0 7 3
E. D. S. Group	0 7 3
Sassoon	0 7 3
Century	0 6 9
Toyo Podar	0 7 4½
LONG CLOTH (full weight 38-40)	
Mahal Brand	0 10 0
Madari Brand	0 9 9
Uttam Kheti	0 10 2
Daud Saheb	0 10 0
Hindustan	0 10 7½
LONG CLOTH (Light Weight)	
No. 5202/5303—	
Hindustan	0 10 9
Century	0 10 0
Idsu	0 10 3
LONG CLOTH X Quality—	
Apollo	0 9 9
Century	0 9 9
Jam	0 10 0
Jam Mill (Sholapur)	0 10 0
Textile	0 10 0
Spring	0 10 0
Madhusudan	0 9 0
LONG CLOTH Satin Calender 34-42 In.—	
Textile (Hand)	0 9 4½
Spring (Merchant)	0 9 4½
Century (Bugal)	0 9 1½
Pehlad Siwala	0 9 3
Hindustan (Tiger)	0 9 3
Western 92½-92½ (Circus Horse)	0 9 4½
Madhusudan	0 9 3
Tijuri	0 9 4½
Bharat Mill	0 9 0
Sundri	0 9 6
Jubily	0 8 1½

HIGH CLASS LONG CLOTH (Edsu Mill)—	Per piece
548	7 0 0
542	6 9 3
Kutiya 44 Inch	5 10 0
4141	6 5 0
50050	5 12 0
1200	5 5 0
9191	6 9 0

LONG CLOTH VEGETABLE—	Per lb.
Apollo	0 9 0
Century	0 8 10½
Madhusudan	0 8 10½
Moon	0 8 10½
Union	0 9 0
SALITA—	
1215 Idsu	0 8 3
1215 Kalyan	0 8 3
1215 Madhusudan	0 8 3
1215 Sassoon	0 8 3
DHOOTIES 7-8-9 Yard—	
Spring Mill (Balance)	0 10 9
Crown	0 10 10½
Western	0 10 0
Hindustan	0 10 9
Barsi	0 9 3
DHOOTIES 10 Yards—	
Spring Mill (Balance)	0 10 9
Hindustan	*0 10 9*
Barsi	0 9 1½
Western	0 10 0
Crown 4310	0 10 10½

GIN COLOURED.—	Per piece
B 1515 Ratilal	8 0 0
1415 Ratilal	*7 2 0*
779-4141	8 10 0
Kanta	8 8 0
DHOOTI MAHIN 44x10—	
115 Hirji Kurla	0 13 6
113 Victoria	1 3 6
2142 Western	0 12 0

LEPAD Big Size—	Per lb.
Crown	0 9 7½
Edsoo	0 9 4½
Century	0 9 3
Tax	0 9 4½
Hindustan	0 9 6
Rechael	0 9 4½
Western	0 9 6
Union	0 9 6
Apollo	0 9 4½
Madhusudan	0 9 3
LEPAD SMALL SIZE—	
Spring	0 9 0
Tex	0 9 1½
DUKDI Yard 12-13-14—	
8711 Pehlad	0 10 7½
5250 E. Keshri	2 5 0
9312 Sassoon	2 0 0
8712 Kamla	0 10 10½
Shreeniwas	0 11 1½

Store-Keeper Killed In Lorry Accident

NEW DELHI: Feb. 18.

A tragic motor accident resulting in the death of a military store-keeper and serious injuries to others, is reported from Dhanla Kuan, where a military lorry collided with another lorry.

The store-keeper, who was seriously injured, succumbed to the wounds in the hospital.—United Press.

Bank Of France

PARIS, Feb. 20.

The increase in the Bank of France's gold reserve of 100 million francs and the decrease of Note circulation of 550 million francs are features of the Bank's balance-sheet for the week ended 14th February, showing that gold cover increased from 70.83 to 71.12. —Reuter.

"ABSOLUTELY UNTRUE"

Earthquake And House-Collapse Report In Bhagalpore

PATNA, Feb. 21.

From enquiries made by the "United Press" it appears that the alarming news published in news papers that owing to the earthquake of February 11 last, two persons died at Bhagalpore due to a house collapse, is absolutely untrue and unfounded.

There was no house collapse, but an old and dilapidated wall gave way due to the shock, but nobody was close to the place at the time. United Press.

DISTRIBUTION OF 'QUAKES IN INDIA

Dr. Roy's Plea For Seismic Engineering In City Development

Dr. S. C. Roy, Director of the Colaba Observatory addressed the Bombay Geographical Association on Wednesday last on the distribution of earthquakes over the globe with special reference to the seismic geography of India. He said that throughout their histories, Bombay, Nagpur and Madras have felt but few shocks while Quetta, Srinagar, Simla, Darjeeling and Shillong have felt many strong or weak shocks. The general belts of seismicity are also the general belts of mountain-building. The earthquake regions, with a few exceptions, are the regions where geosynclines of the secondary era were elevated, folded and faulted in the tertiary.

He added that although places of origin are seldom identically the same, yet they are related, and important seismic districts have been jeopardised by destructive earthquakes more than once. The fact that a particular region has suffered once from seismic cataclysms in recent years does not therefore give it a promise of immunity in future.

It is important to remember this *lesson in relation to the ultimate* development of cities. With the *growth of civilisation and world* population, the increase in the *number and size of cities, within* the seismic zones has been marked. When earlier cities were destroyed by earthquakes the matter of shifting their sites was considered at times, though rarely. If ever, carried out. The conditions that create a big city preclude such a possibility and the viewpoint of minimising earthquake-damage with the aid of modern seismic engineering should prevail more and more in city development as time goes on. This view needs repeated emphasis as the growth of modern cities always entails straining of the economic resources of wide rural areas surrounding the cities.

GENERAL RAIN IN ASSAM

POONA: Feb. 21.

Thunder-storms have caused nearly general rain in Assam and local rain in Orissa and North Madras Coast, with a few falls in Bengal and Upper Burma, Masulipatam reporting 1-1|2 inches and Chandbali one inch.

The western disturbance is affecting Baluchistan.

FORECAST:—Rainfall will decrease in Assam, continue locally in North Burma and will extend to Madras Presidency and Baluchistan.—A.P.

COLABA OBSERVATORY, BOMBAY.

Summary of Meteorological Obseervations during 24 hours ending 8 a.m. of 21-2-1936.

Change of 8 a.m. barometer in past 24 hours —.069 inches

Temperature (dry bulb) at 8 a. m. 72.0 degrees

Temperature (wet bulb) at 8 a. m. 68.5 degrees

Maximum temperature during 24 hrs 80.0 degrees 3.6 (below normal)

Minimum temperature during 24 hrs 68.2 degrees 0.1 (below normal)

Relative humidity at 8 a.m. 83 per cent.

Direction of wind at 8 a.m. NNE

Velocity of wind at 8 a.m. 4 miles per hour

Total movement of wind in 24 hours 180 miles

Velocity of maximum gust of wind during 24 hours 20 miles per hour

Extent of cloud at 8 a.m. (the whole sky cloudy eq. 10) 0

OFFICIAL BAROMETER READING

DATED 21-2-36

At 8-7 a.m. local time (8-46 a.m. Indian Standard Time) and temperature 75.0 deg. F., a mercury barometer without index error at mean sea level would actually read 30.07 inches and a compensated aneroid 29.89 inches.

For correction of ships' instruments please subtract from the above official barometer reading 0.001" for every foot of elevation of the instrument above mean sea level.

Latest Commercial News

NEW YORK COTTON 3 POINTS DOWN

Absence Of Speculative Interest

GOLD UNCHANGED BUT SILVER EASY

Wheat Slightly Higher But Linseed And Jute Steady

BOMBAY, Feb. 21.

On Friday crossrates ruled steady.

N. Y. COTTON FAIRLY STEADY.

New York cotton lacked speculative interest. Traders were not inclined to enter into fresh commitments pending clarification of the farm programme situation. The undertone however was fairly steady.

GOLD UNCHANGED AND SILVER EASY.

London gold was unchanged but silver was easy.

WHEAT SLIGHTLY HIGHER

Wheat ruled slightly higher at Chicago. Linseed, jute and rubber were quiet.

SECURITIES QUIET.

The London Stock Exchange was somewhat quiet owing to the lack of speculative demand. Giltedged securities showed quieter enquiry.

COTTON

LATEST NEW YORK COTTON PRICES

JULY 1936

New York, Feb. 21.

Previous closing	10.54
To-day's opening	10.55
Difference	+.01
To-day's closing	10.51
Difference	—.03

LIVERPOOL COTTON

JULY 1936

Liverpool, Feb. 21.

Previous closing	5.69
To-day's opening	5.70
Difference	+.01
To-day's closing	5.70
Difference	+.01

BROACH EXPECTATION

New April May ..... Rs. 195-8

N. Y. COTTON MARKET

New York, Feb. 21.

Cotton lacked speculative interest in the absence of any further developments in Washington with traders not inclined to enter into fresh commitments pending clarification of the farm programme situation. Near months again came under some pressure owing to liquidation and exchanging to later months but the market on the whole displayed a fairly good undertone.

Trading in July commenced at 10-55 i.e. 1 point higher than previous closing. The market was slightly more active on steadier Liverpool advices but the demand was slow with the result that movements were small July declining to 10.53.

The New York cotton market finally closed at 10.51 with a decline of 3 points.

NEW YORK COTTON

New York, Feb. 21.

The following were the opening ranges:—

March	(11.34/11.34) 11.36/11.36
May	(10.88/10.87) 10.84/10.84
July	(10.57/10.55) 10.55/10.55

LIVERPOOL COTTON

Liverpool, Feb. 21.

The following were the rates at 12-15 p.m

American March	(5.90) 5.89
American May	(5.81) 5.79
Egyptian March	(8.73) 8.62
Egyptian May	(8.48) 8.43

BOMBAY COTTON

Bombay, Feb. 21.

There was no business to-day.

SHOCK RECORDED AT ALIPORE

CALCUTTA Feb. 21.

An earthquake shock of moderate intensity was recorded by the Alipore Seismograph at 11-53 (S. T.) this morning, the epicentral region being about 510 miles away from Calcutta.—United Press.

'Quake Fatality At Dhanukhi

PATNA, Feb. 20.

Information has been received here from Sitamarhi that as a sequel to the earthquake of February 11 last a girl aged about 8 was buried alive under the walls of a house that collapsed in village Dhanukhi within the jurisdiction of Belsund Police Station and killed instantaneously.—United Press.

Schools Close Sequel To Small-pox

DACCA, February 21.

In view of the outbreak of small-pox in a virulent form in the town, the Health Department has issued instructions asking the authorities of schools and colleges to close the institutions provisionally for three weeks.

Several schools have accordingly been closed.—United Press.

EXCHANGES

LONDON-NEW YORK CROSS RATE

Latest Quotations

T. T. NEW YORK ON LONDON

New York, Feb. 21.

Previous closing	4.99 1/8
To-day's opening	4.98 7/8
To-day's closing	4.99

T. T. LONDON ON NEW YORK

London, Feb. 21.

Previous closing	4.98 13/16
To-day's opening	4.99 1/8
To-day's closing	4.98 15/16
Difference	+.00 1/8

FRANC RATE

London, Feb. 21.

Previous closing	74.69
To-day's opening	74.71
To-day's closing	74.72
Difference	+.03

LONDON EXCHANGES

London, Feb. 21.

London exchanges opened with the sterling dollar at 4.99 1/8 and then improved to 4.99 3/16 but subsequently on the lack of support the rate gradually receded.

The sterling dollar crossrate closed at 4.98 15/16.

Franc opened at 74.71 and then eased to 74.69 with a steady tone.

The sterling franc crossrate closed at 74.72.

LONDON SILVER

London, Feb. 21.

	Last price	To-day's price
Spot	20d.	19 7/8d.
Forward	19 13/16d.	19 3/4d.

The market was quietly steady.

LONDON GOLD.

London, Feb. 21.

Gold per ounce (£7-1-0) £7-1-0

DISCOUNTS

London, Feb. 21.

3 months (9/16 to 9/16 per cent) 9/16 to 9/16 per cent

4 months (5/8 to 5/8 per cent) 5/8 to 5/8 per cent

6 months (5/8 to 5/8 per cent) 5/8 to 5/8 per cent.

CROSS RATES

London, Feb. 21. 3-30 p.m.

London on Bombay (1-6 1/8)	1-6 1/8
Paris on Bombay (5-63 7/8)	5-63 7/8
New York on Bombay (37.81)	37.74
Berlin on Bombay (0.92 3/4)	0.92 3/4
London on Milan (62.18)	62.18
London on Shanghai (1-2 1/2)	1-2 17/32
London on Kobe (1-2)	1-2

BOMBAY BULLION

Bombay, Feb. 21.

The local bullion market was closed to-day.

Silver was nominally quoted at Rs. 50-1, 49-9 and 49-8 for ready, first and second settlement respectively.

Gold was nominally quoted at Rs. 34-13-3, 34-13-0 and Rs., 34-12-6 for ready, first and second settlement respectively.

DOUGLAS SYSTEM CREATES MONEY

Mr. Kennedy On Importance Of Study Of Economics

That for attainment of her rightful place among the nations of the world, India should devote more attention to economics than to politics was the opinion expressed by Mr. T. Kennedy of Canada when he delivered a lecture on the Douglas Credit system at Blavatsky Lodge Hall on Friday.

The lecturer explained the present monetary theory and how by the Douglas system money could be created. The present system of imposing the decisions of a group of men in the financial world on the mass of the people should be deplored. The monetary system should be made the accurate reflection of the productive system prevalent in the country.

COMMODITIES

LIVERPOOL WHEAT

Liverpool, Feb. 21.

Liverpool wheat opened quiet with March at 70 1/8 and May 70 1/2. Speculative interest continued to be dormant and very little business was transacted.

CHICAGO WHEAT

Chicago, Feb. 21.

Chicago wheat opened steady with May at 0.99 1/8. Prices improved on scattered buying and covering purchases influenced by bullish foreign crop cables.

LONDON MARKETS

London, Feb. 21.

The rates at 3-30 p.m. were as follows.

METALS.

Tin (£209 3/8 buyers £209 5/8 sellers Firm.) £207 1/2 buyers £208 sellers. Barely steady.

Lead (£16 5/8 buyers. No sellers. Steady) Unquoted. Irregular.

Electrolytic Copper (£40 to £40 1/2) £40 to £40 1/2

Glasgow Iron (£74) £74

TEA.

Indian Pekoe (0-11 3/4) 0-11 3/4

Indian Pekoe higher (1-8) 1-8

Ceylon Pekoe (0-11 3/4) 0-11 3/4

Ceylon Pekoe higher (2-4 1/2) 2-4 1/2

SILVER CABLES.

Bombay, Feb. 21.

The following cable information was received from London to-night.

"India and Speculators bought and sold. Market quietly steady.

JUTE.

New Crop February March (£18 13/16 buyers.) £18 7/8 buyers.

Dunlop March (£22 1/2 sellers) £22 1/2 sellers

Lightning March (£20 3/4 sellers) £20 3/4 sellers.

RUBBER.

Spot (7 5/16 paid and buyers) 7 3/8 paid and buyers

April June (7 7/16 paid and sellers) 7 1/2 paid and sellers.

LINSEED.

Castorseed Bombay February March (£12 1/4 sellers) £12 3/8 sellers.

Linseed Calcutta February March (£12 3/4 sellers) £12 3/4 sellers.

Linseed La Plata February (£10 7/8 sellers) £10 7/8 sellers.

Groundnut Coromandal February (£13 15/16 sellers) £14 sellers.

WHEAT AND LINSEED

Bombay, Feb. 21.

The market was closed to-day.

PARLE MUNICIPAL MEETING

Condolence Resolution On Wacha's Death

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

ANDHERI, Feb. 21.

A special general Meeting of the Andheri-Vile Parle Municipality was held this morning with Mr. De'Mello in the chair. Before the proceedings commenced Mr. V. R. Bhende with the permission of the House moved the following resolution:

"The Vile Parle Municipality place on record their sense of deep sorrow at the sad death of Sir Dinshaw Wacha, whose selfless work for the cause of local self-Government for a period of over half a century was memorable. The Municipality convey their heart-felt sympathy and condolences to the members of the family of the deceased."

Mr. Dikshit seconded the resolution which was carried unanimously.

The President then announced that he had received a letter from Mr. G. B. Deo, resigning his membership of the Municipality due to ill-health. The same was recorded and a resolution placing on record the Municipality's appreciation of the valuable services rendered to the town by Mr. Deo was adopted.

The question of providing a Municipal Fish and Mutton Market has been engaging the attention of the Municipality for many months past owing to the very insanitary conditions prevailing in the present market which is owned by a private party. All efforts to purchase a plot having proved futile, it was decided at to-day's meeting to request Government to acquire a plot admeasuring about 1,000 Sq. yards somewhere near the present market site and to defray the cost of such acquisition by raising a loan in the open market at a rate of interest not exceeding 5 per cent. After a good deal of discussion the resolution was carried.

Earlier in the day, another meeting to consider the objections received on the new taxation proposals was held with Mr. Kalbag in the chair. As it was found that many members including the Chairman had not seen the proposals under considerations, it was decided to defer consideration of the same till the next meeting.

Absence Of Support In Industrial Shares

KAFFIRS AND DIAMONDS BETTER

Easier Undertone In Wall Street

(SPECIAL CABLE)

LONDON, Feb. 21.

On the Stock Exchange the recent tendency was reversed. The majority of industrials were inclined to sag in the absence of support. Mines enjoyed a better day's business, especially Kaffirs and Diamonds than they have been for some weeks. Chinese loans were strong.

Wall Street opened firm but an easier undertone developed, rails being notably under pressure. Other markets were uninteresting.

INDIAN STERLING LOAN

London, Feb. 21.

The 3 1/2 per cent Indian Sterling Loan closed at £99

PREVIOUS CLOSING RATES.

Wednesday, February 12, £98

Thursday, February 13, £98

Friday, February 14 £98 1/4

Monday, February 17, £98 1/4

Tuesday, February 18, £98 1/2

Wednesday, February 19 £98 3/4

Thursday, February 20, £99 1/8

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

London, Feb. 21. 3-30 p.m.

General business was quiet but there were some good features. Internationals and oil shares were firmer on better Wall Street advices. Kaffirs were firm on better buying interest. Industrials and giltedged securities were rather undecided.

BRITISH FUNDS

2 1/2 per cent Consols (£85 1/2) £85 1/2

3 1/2 per cent Government Loan (£108 5/8) £108 5/8

4 1/2 per cent Conversion Loan (£111 1/2) £111 5/8

4 per cent Funding Loan (£118 5/8) £118 3/4

3 1/2 per cent War Loan (£107 3/8) £107 3/8

4 per cent Victory Bonds (£115 5/8 Ex Div.) £115 5/8

INDUSTRIALS

British Celanese 2nd Preference (22-4 1/2) 22-4 1/2

Marks and Spencer Splits Share (£5 1/8) £5 1/8

Hydro Electric (£8 3/8) £8 7/8

Musical Industries (27-6) 29-1 1/2

Princhin Johnson (44-4 1/2) 44-0

Imperial Chemical (41-0) 41-0

Imperial Chemical Ord (10-0) 10-0

Woolsworth New Ford (122-9) 122-9

Realisation 1930 (£90 1/2) £91 1/4

Dunlop Rubber (39-7 1/2) 40-3

University Ordinary (34-9) 34-0

Ford Motors (35-3) 35-3

Cable Wires (£8 1/2) £8 1/2

British American Tobacco (129-6) 129-6

Camera A (£9 1/4) £9 1/4

Imperial Tobacco Ordinary (155-0) 155-0

P and O S N Company Defd (21-0) 20-6

Distillers (102-6) 102-6

Bred and Dyers (9-0) 9-0

British Celanese (13-4 1/2) 13-0

J and P Coates Ordinary (65-3) 65-3

Courtaulds Ordinary (55-10 1/2) 56-3

Fine Cotton Spinners (7-6) 7-6

Western Limited Ordinary (27-6) 26-0

Inter Nickels (53) 53

Bengal Iron and Steel (5-4 1/2) 5-4 1/2

Tata Iron and Steel (£102 1/2) £102 1/2

INDIAN LOANS

London, Feb. 21. 3-30 p.m.

3 per cent New Indian Loan (£100 1/2) £100 1/2

3 1/2 per cent Indian (£99) £99

4 1/2 per cent Indian Stock 1950/55 (£117) £117

4 1/2 per cent 1958/68 (£118) £118

4 per cent Indian 1948/53 (£110 1/2) £110 1/2

5 per cent Indian 1943-47 (£111 1/2) £111 1/2

5 1/2 per cent New Indian 1934-52 (£107 1/2) £107 1/2

AUSTRALIAN LOANS.

5 per cent Australian Loan (£115) £115

TEA SHARES.

Assam Company (22-6) 23-6

Donara Tea (46-3) 46-3

Empire of India Ceylon (28-6) 28-6

RUBBER SHARES.

Anglo Dutch Rubber (29-6) 29-6

Gula Kelampong (29-4 1/2) 29-4 1/2

Rubber Plant Inv Trust (34-0) 34-0

JUTE SHARES.

Bangalore (£9 1/2) £9 1/2

MINING SHARES.

Nandy (63-0) 63-7 1/2

Burma Corporation (10-3) 10-3

Rio Tintos (£21 3/4) £21 1/8

East Rand Proprietors (64-0) 65-0

Crown Mines (£8 1/8) £8

MINE SHARES

Crown Mines (£13 1/2) £13 1/2

Goddar New (£10) £10

Moddar New (56-10 1/2) 57-6

Sub Nigel (£12) £12

Spring Mines Split Shares (42-6) 42-6

Union Corporation (£8 3/4) £8 3/4

OIL SHARES

Venezuela Persian (43-1 1/2) 43-1 1/2

Anglo Iranian (90-7 1/2) 90-7 1/2

Burma Oil (93-9) 93-9

Mexican Eagle (11-7 1/2) 12-6

Shell Transport (90-7 1/2) 90-7 1/2

Royal Dutch (£33 3/8) £33 7/8

HOME RAIL SHARES

Great Western (£48 1/4) £47 1/2

L M Ford (£20 1/2) £20 1/2

L N E R Defd (£5 3/4) £5 3/4

Southern Dutch (£21 3/4) £21 3/4

London Paris 5 per cent (£136) £136

London Board G Stock (£102 1/2) £104

L N E R Defd 3 1/4 centum on 4 centum first preference Stock with no distribution in deferreds.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

New York, Feb. 21.

The following were the opening rates:—

General Motor (dol 60 1/8) dol 61 1/4

Anaconda Copper Mining (dol 34 7/8) dol 35 1/8

U S Steel Common (dol 62 7/8) unquoted.

U S Steel Preference (dol 128 1/2) dol 127 3/4

ECHO OF ASSAULT ON CITY FATHER

Schoolboy And Tailor Sentenced To Rs. 200 Fine Each

CALCUTTA, February 21.

"I feel sure that those who engaged them to do their dirty work, will take pleasure in paying fine for them. If they do not, they will have the mortification of seeing these misguided youths go to jail for six weeks", observed the Chief Presidency Magistrate while sentencing Rahamatulla, a school boy and Samir Khan, a tailor, to a fine of Rs. 200, in default six weeks' rigorous imprisonment each on a charge of trespass into the Councillors' Room in the Calcutta Corporation and assaulting Mr. A. K. M. Zakariah, a Councillor of the Corporation, with shoes.

It may be recalled that Mr. Zakariah, who recently withdrew his letter of resignation submitted along with other Muslim Councillors by way of protest against certain attitude taken by the Hindu Councillors over the question of the recruitment of Muslims in the Corporation services, was assaulted in the Councillors' room by three Muslims on February 12 last.

The hearing of the case against the third accused is postponed until February 28. The convicted accused prayed for time to pay up the fine but the Magistrate rejected the prayer.—United Press.

MEDICOS REPLY TO HITLER

An urgent meeting of the Bombay Medical Union was held on Friday at the hall of the Union, when the President of the Union took the chair.

The meeting unanimously passed the following resolution as a retaliatory measure:—

"This urgent meeting of the Bombay Medical Union resents the insult gratuitously hurled by Herr Hitler at the people of India in a recent speech, and unanimously resolves to recommend to the members of the Union and of the medical profession in India the boycott of German-made goods in general and the boycott of drugs, chemicals, stains and all medical and surgical requisites in particular wherever and whenever possible, until an "amended honourable is made."

It was further hoped that various associations, medical as well as others, in the country would take up this question of national self-respect and pass similar resolutions and act up to them.

Miss Cederblom of Sweden, who is at present working at Vishava-Bharti as weaving teacher, has been invited by the organisers of the forthcoming Congress Exhibition at Lucknow to exhibit the products of her weaving and to give demonstrations on her looms. Miss Cederblom will therefore proceed to Lucknow during the Congress week with the looms which she has brought with her from Sweden.

INCREASE IN TURKEY'S POPULATION

Latest Census Figure Is 1,62,00694

(From Our Correspondent.)

ANKARA, Feb. 3.

Circulations by the general directory of the statistics have been issued indicating the relations as regards the movements of the population in Turkey by means of first provisional number's obtained during the second registration of 25/10/1935.

The population throughout the whole of Turkey is 16,200,694 people: 7,974,226 men and 8,226.468 women.

Whereas that of 1927 was 13,-648.270, of which 6,563,779 were men and 7,084,391 women.

This shows that there has, within the past eight years (1927-1935), been an increase of 2,552,424.

In 1927 the population of European Turkey was 1,040,669. In 1935 it rose by 2,25,463.

Again in the year 1927 the population of this part of Turkey which constitutes 3.2 per cent of the area of the country, was 7.6 per cent of the general population. Relatively this number has, in the year 1935, changed to 7.8 per cent.

In Asiatic Turkey the increase of population was 2,326.961, and 18.4 per cent.

In 1927 the population of this section, constituting 98.8 per cent of the area of Turkey, was 92.4 per cent of the entire population, being 12,607,601.

Results of the last census show that to-day the population of this section reaches a total of 14 934,562, which means 96.8 per cent with relation to the entire population of the country.

"KATHAKALI" AT DADAR

Kalamandalam Troupe Gives Exquisite Exposition Of Kerala Dance-Art

The visit of Poet Vallathol Narayan Menon with the "Kathakali" artistes of the Kerala Kala Mandalam has roused great interest in this great dance-art of Malabar. The shows that they gave recently attracted wide attention and art critics and men of culture, all acclaimed it as 'wonderful.' But "Kathakali" is best enjoyed when it is performed in its own natural settings. Such a performance was given on Friday night in the compound of the King George High School, Dadar, before a large and appreciative gathering of men and women.

The South Indians took advantage of the presence of Poet Vallathol and his artistes in the city to celebrate "Maha Shiva Ratri" with a "Kathakali" performance. Poet Vallathol readily agreed to the idea and all arrangements were made. Three pieces were selected for the night's performance. "Poothana Moksham," or the Salvation of Pothana, the demon-woman sent by King Kamsa to kill the infant Krishna was the first.

In the second piece "Bali Vijayam," Narada's role as the eternal "trouble-maker" was well portrayed.

The third piece was "Kirata." Arjuna is doing penance and have the darshan and boon of God Shiva.

The inter-play of actions and reactions in all the three pieces are intricate and none but master artists can give adequate justice to them. That Kalamandalam players delighted and swayed the audience was a sufficient proof of their proficiency in one of the rarest cultural heritages of Indian dance-art.

The company will give two more performances at the Sir Cowasji Jehangir Hall before leaving Bombay and it is to be expected that these shows will attract larger audiences.

A purse of Rs. 400 was presented to Poet Vallathol.

RECEPTION TO VALLATHOL

The Kerala Samaj has arranged a public reception to Poet Vallathol Narayan Menon at the Asthika Samaj Hall to-morrow (Sunday) at 5 p.m. (S.T.)

"GURU-MANTRA" FOR HARIJANS

Malaviya Officiates At Benares Shivratri Festival

BENARES, Feb. 21.

Pandit Malaviya sitting close to the bank of the Ganges gave today (Shivaratri festival) "Guru Mantra" to a large number of Harijans and other Hindus in pursuance of the resolution of the All-India Sanatan Dharma Mahasabha and enjoined them to live a pure and clean life.

All went peacefully. Policemen were present.—A.P.

P. N. Sapru To Seek Re-Election

NEW DELHI, Feb. 21.

It is understood that Mr. P. N. Sapru is seeking re-election to the Council of State from his constituency of Allahabad, Benares, Jhansi and Gorakhpur Divisions of the United Provinces.—United Press.

RESIGN SEAT IN ASSEMBLY

Hyderabad Public Meeting Condemns Lalchand Navalrai's Betrayal

(From A Correspondent.)

HYDERABAD (Sind), February 21.

A largely-attended public meeting was held here last night. Mr. Tahilram Aswani, ex-President of the Municipality, presided. The following resolution moved by Mr. Santdas Mangharam, pleader, and seconded by Mr. Jairamdas Doulatram was passed by an overwhelming majority.

"This public meeting condemns the action of Mr. Lalchand Navalrai in not voting in favour of Mr. Das's Bill. Mr. Lalchand's explanation adds insult to the injury. The meeting is of opinion that the Criminal Law Amendment Act is against the interests of the inhabitants of Sind and India. Mr. Lalchand has violated his election pledges by remaining neutral on such an occasion. This meeting calls upon him to resign his membership.

"The meeting also condemns the action of such Muslim members of the Assembly who even on the measure like the Das's Bill voted with Government."

An amendment was moved expressing confidence in Mr. Lalchand and demanding from him within one week more explicit explanation of the special conditions in Sind in consideration of which he remained neutral.

Speeches were made on both sides. Dr. Choitram made a strong speech supporting the resolution.

After Mr. Jairamdas had replied the amendment was put to vote, and defeated by an overwhelming majority. Only 12 voted for it.

Students Resist Jap. Inroads Into China

(Continued From Page 7.)

ing the banner against the U. S. S. R., the two countries are trying to minimize their contradictions with other Powers. The Japano-German military alliance is directly an alliance against the U.S.S.R. Although the diplomatic tactics of Japan and Germany are very cunning, it will not cover up their real designs. This alliance will not minimize the attention of the other Powers towards Japan and Germany".

"If this alliance is true, Germany's influence in Europe will be greatly increased. As this is directly a threat to France, its result will be only a closer relationship between France and the U.S.S.R. At the same time, if this alliance is true, Japanese influence in the Far East will be greatly increased. This is a serious threat to British interests in the Far East. It is also threatening the position of the U.S.A. and therefore America will also voice her opposition."

"From the Chinese point of view, the present Japan-German military alliance is in no way different from the Anglo-Japanese alliance before the World War. The sufferer will be China. The Japano-German alliance is but a prelude to the second World War. For the preservation of the Chinese nation and for the peace of the Far East, as well as that of the entire world, we have strongly to oppose this alliance."—"News Bulletin of Society of Friends of China."

The Government of Bihar and Orissa have proscribed the book "How to make a Revolution" by Raymond Postgate, published by Leonard and Virginia Wolf at the Hogarth Press, 52 Pavistock Square, London, W. C. and printed by the Garden City Press, Ltd.

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Our Moscow Letter

80 PER CENT. LITERATES IN RUSSIA

Why U. S. S. R. Welcomed Eden's Appointment

TRUTH ABOUT RUSSO-URUGUAYAN DISPUTE

(BY ABDUL AZIZ AZAD.)
MOSCOW, (By Mail.)

No other European Government was as pleased as the Soviet Government was with the appointment of Capt. Eden to the post of Foreign Minister. Mr. Eden is looked upon by the statesmen of this country as a man fighting for the cause of peace with much more sincerity and decisiveness than any other member of the British Cabinet. Eden was the first British statesman allowed an audience with Joseph Stalin, and he was also the first to declare in his Moscow communique, issued together with Stalin, "The prosperity of each of the respective countries coincided with the interests of the other." The significance of this declaration was, and remains, of great political interest and importance. This declaration is of especial significance at the present time, when the world is awaiting another catastrophic war at any time. It is, therefore, that all peace-lovers, the world over, welcome any rapprochement that may be effected between two great countries of the world, the Soviet Union and Great Britain.

The speech which Mr. Eden made at Livington on the eve of his departure for Geneva has been commented upon by the Soviet press in extremely favourable manner expressive of the great importance which they attach to its contents. "Izvestia," the official organ of the Soviet Government, writes: "The world waited for the speech of Eden with great interest because the responsibility lying on the shoulders of Eden is no less than that which lay on the shoulders of Sir Edward Gray at the time the question of the world war was being decided in 1914."

Further, the newspaper points out the part of Eden's speech in which he states that the stability and unswerving policy of Great Britain could play a decisive part in the cause of peace. The paper writes: "If imperialist Germany will not count on the support or the neutrality of Great Britain in realizing her expansionist designs; and if the same can be expected of Japanese imperialism, in that case the cause of peace will be strengthened for at least a few years to come."

In conclusion the newspaper complains that Eden has not made any mention in his speech, not only of the plan for "necessary changes," but also the plan for immediate action to be taken to end the Italo-Abyssinian war. The newspaper declares that Soviet Russia is ready to render all assistance to those who fight against the war danger and remarks that "the present weakness of the collective system of security is greatly due to the uncertainty of the fact how far Great Britain is ready to oppose any State preparing for aggression."

URUGUAY-SOVIET SCANDAL.

When the Uruguayan Government surprised the world by her decision suddenly to break off diplomatic relations with the USSR, the world expected sensational revelations which the Uruguayan Government would make in support of so grave a decision. However, both the note of the Uruguayan Government and the speech of her delegate at Geneva, Mr. Guani, prove the utter inconsistency of the weak and unfounded arguments offered for the rupture of diplomatic relations with the USSR.

While the note of the Uruguayan Government to the USSR, informing the latter about the breaking off of diplomatic relations, blamed the Soviet Union for carrying on Communist propaganda in Uruguay, and of sending money to revolutionists in that country, her delegate in Geneva was unable to bring any proof in support of these accusations. He thus proved that the Uruguayan decision was not taken because the USSR conducted "destructive propaganda" within her territory, but for some other reasons.

Here are the real motives, which Moscow reveals as the causes for the rupturing of diplomatic relations between Uruguay and Russia: (1) The President of Uruguay demanded that the USSR buy a large quantity of Uruguayan cheese, which the USSR refused to buy. (2) Being faced with difficulty in her home affairs Uruguay has tried to make use of the long forgotten Communist bogey. (3) The Uruguayan Government has taken this step under the pressure and influence of Fascist Italy, whose Government is terribly in need of diverting the public opinion against the Fascist Government of Italy to some other place, say, the USSR.

The Soviet-Uruguayan dispute was brought before the League of Nations by the Soviet Government and it was discussed at the 90th session of the League. Guni was the Uruguayan representative, while Litvinoff, represented the Soviet Union.

LITVINOFF'S REJOINDER.

During the discussion Litvinoff demanded of Guani that he produce the documents upon which Uruguay might prove her charges against the USSR, but these were not forthcoming, except only a vague declaration full of meaningless phrases and unfounded allegations. Among other things, Guani said: "The hour has come when we must protect ourselves against the invasion of theories coming from Moscow, theories whose purpose it is to destroy the basis of family, religion, the social order, and even civilization, throughout the world."

Mr. Litvinoff made a crushing speech which revealed the great seriousness which the Soviet Government attaches to such actions as that of Uruguay. Mr. Litvinoff warned the instigators of war not to play with fire. He was humorous throughout his speech, and made much fun of Uruguayan cheese, but at the same time he showed his great knowledge of international affairs, and advised the statesmen of the various countries to avoid using the methods of the "Pirates of Newspapers" in maintaining relations between the States. Mr. Litvinoff's speech made a great impression on the League members, and they adopted a resolution actually in favour of the USSR.

LATINIZATION OF ALPHABETS IN SOVIET UNION.

When the new regime was established in Russia a number of nationalities inhabiting the territory of the former Russian empire possessed no written language of their own; others used a very primitive and intricate form of sign writing in writing their language; while those using Arabic scripts found them to be a great impediment towards the progress of the press, literature and printing.

The Government appointed a special commission composed of savants from the Academy of Science who studied the language of each nationality in order to find an easy and modern means of writing that lnaguage. As a result of years of intensive work, many languages received new alphabets, while those difficult Arabic and other alphabets have received new, easy and modern ones. All the alphabets are based on the Latin script.

Formerly the percentage of literacy among the national minorities in the Soviet Union did not exceed 2, and in many places 1 per cent. To-day it is 80 per cent. To-day altogether 25,000,000 persons use the new Latinized script in writing their languages, and the huge task of introducing the unified simple and modern script has been carried out and fulfilled successfully. Whereas all of the transactions, the Central Asians, the Tartars, and even the Turks have long ago forgotten their difficult and antiquated Arabic scripts and readily adopted the Latin script, thus making it possible for them to benefit by the most modern technique in printing, linotyping, etc., we in India for over a century cannot decide as to what should be the unified script for writing Hindi or Urdu. Let us take a lesson from the "backward" Tartars and Tadjiks!

BAN ON BIHAR PAPER LIFTED

Sequel To Publication Of Confidential Memorandum

(From Our Correspondent.)
PATNA, Feb. 21.

The Bihar Government have withdrawn the ban imposed by them several years ago on the "Searchlight" regarding the supply to the paper of Government publications, advertisements etc. The ban was imposed on the "Searchlight" having published Government's confidential memorandum presented to the Simon Commission to which action the Government had taken exception.

Members of the Everest Expedition who arrived in Bombay on Thursday afternoon. (Left to right) Mr. Gavin, Mr. H. Ruttledge (leader), Mrs. Humphrey and Dr. Humphrey.

STATUE OF LATE EMPEROR

To Be Unveiled In Delhi Next Autumn

NEW DELHI, Feb. 20.

A statue of the late King-Emperor, approved by him before his death, will be ready for unveiling in Delhi next autumn.

In many ways, this statue will be of peculiar appropriateness. It commemorates the memory of the King-Emperor, who at the magnificent Durbar in 1911 laid the foundation stone of the new capital. It will be unveiled within a year of his death.

The statue will be erected in the centre of Princes Park, a few yards away from the War Memorial Arch.

The order for the statue was placed some time ago on behalf of the Princes with the late Charles Jagger, the famous British sculptor.

The scheme was actually initiated by His Highness the Maharaja of Kapurthala.

Jagger prepared several designs, one of which the King-Emperor ultimately approved. The work of preparing the statue was then proceeded with by Jagger under the general guidance of Sir Edwin Lutyens. But before it could be finished, the sculptor fell ill and died.

After careful consideration and consultation, it has been decided that the head and crown, which had already been modelled by Jagger, should be completed in his studio by one of his carvers, who would be familiar with the work. The figure from the shoulders downwards, including the pedastal is to be carved in India. This work to be done in India has not yet been definitely assigned.—United Press.

DRAFT INTRUMENT OF ACCESSION

Princes' Standing Committee To Discuss It

NEW DELHI, Feb. 20.

Great significance is attached to the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Chamber of Princes which, it is understood, comes off on February 24 and 25 in Delhi.

It is further understood that the only subject for discussion relates to the Draft Instrument of Accession which is a necessary preliminary to States joining the Federation. Since the Chamber is not to meet, this time the Standing Committee is expected to give a lead to Princes in this regard.—United Press.

Passing Away Of A Servant Of Country

PATNA, Feb. 20.

Interviewed by the "United Press" on the death Mr. N. C. Bardoloi, Babu Rajendra Prasad, President of the Indian National Congress, said:—

"In the death of Mr. N. C. Bardoloi the country has lost another unassuming determined and self-sacrificing servant, and his friends a most amiable and trusted companion on whom they could always count. It will be difficult to fill the gap created by his death, in the public life of Assam. His sons and the members of his family may have consolation that their sorrow is shared by a large circle of his friends and co-workers all over the country. I know what sacrifices and privations he had to go through on account of his patriotism. All servants of the country have, however, to be prepared for them, and Mr. Bardoloi never broke under them."—United Press.

Our London Letter

Britain's Attitude To Russia

WHY IT HAS CHANGED

(By Our Own Correspondent.)
LONDON, Feb. 8.
(By Air Mail.)

Several of the personalities, including the King of Roumania, Prince Starhemberg, Prince Paul, the regent of Yugo-Slavia and Mr. Rusta Aras, the Turkish Foreign Minister who had come to London for the purpose of attending the funeral of King George V. interrupted their homeward journeys in the French capital, which has this week been the scene of important diplomatic conversations and manoeuvres. The position is that Italy owing to the exhausting character of the war in Ethiopia is no longer in the position to guarantee the independence of Austria, which is thus once more exposed to the danger of absorption by Fascist Germany. Prince Starhemberg, the leader of the pro-Italian section of the Austrian Fascists, who desires the restoration of the Austrian monarchy, had felt it necessary to establish closer relations with the Powers of the Little Entente and they have indicated that in no circumstances can they agree to a restoration of the Austrian monarchy. The situation has been complicated by the sudden arrival in Paris in the midst of all these conversations of the Archduke Otto, the claimant to the Austrian throne, somewhat to the embarrassment of the French Government. It seems that assurances have been demanded by the countries of the Little Entente and given by Prince Starhemberg that no restoration will take place in Austria, without previous consultations with France, acting on behalf of the Little Entente Powers. The fact that these conversations have been held draws attention to the dangers to peace which exists in Europe to-day, dangers which have become enormously accentuated as a consequence of the re-armament of Nazi Germany with the help and assistance of Great Britain.

"TIMES" CHANGES.

Meanwhile the menace to peace from Japan in the Far East and from the aggressive attitude of Germany in Europe has enabled the Soviet Union and Britain to consolidate the friendly relations which were inaugurated by Mr. Anthony Eden's visit to Moscow last May. The Soviet statesmen place high hopes in Mr. Eden's condemnation of any aggression and in his fidelity to the League of Nations. Even the "Times," which had to content itself for its news of the Soviet Union by putting its watch-dog in Riga, in an editorial "The New Phase in Russia" has made a new approach to the Russian problem." To Western observers" it says, "many of the recent measures of the Soviet Government are surprising, even agreeably surprising. A new Constitution is being evolved to allow a comprehensive and secret ballot for regional Parliaments. The peasants are being given votes equally with the town workers and are allowed to own land collectively and to keep stock individually. The meaning behind all such measures is simply that Russia is recovering to a large extent from the terrible stress of the first Five Year Plan, with its privations for the town dwellers, its ruthless persecution of the peasantry, and its prevalence of neurosis among the Bolshevist leaders."

This is certainly a new and happy tune coming as it does from the London Thunderer, which adds that "Soviet Russia, by deciding to consolidate her resources, by deliberately setting aside many of the grandiose schemes promised for the second Five Year Plan, has made herself a strong and formidable Power. Her Government is more firmly entrenched than any she has had since 1905. In several spheres of industrial production she is among the leaders of the world. Perhaps the most startling report presented to the Central Executive Committee in Moscow recently was that the Red Army is now on a peace footing of 1,300,000 men with trained reserves to the number of 5,000,000; but other reports on industry and agriculture were equally significant. We may abhor Soviet teaching and political practice, but we cannot discount the natural resources of Russia or the Soviet determination to exploit them." The new angle of vision with which the British Government is approaching the Soviet Government is further amply exemplified in a speech by Mr. Walter Runciman, the President of the Board of Trade.

BUSINESS AND POLITICS.

In opening a new Exchange in the City, the President of the Board of Trade, made a special reference to Russia yesterday. He did not regard trade with Russia as being contrary to any moral code.

The new Government, which has been formed in Egypt seems to be on the basis of the political united front, in which the representatives of the non-Wafdist Party are very fully represented, whereas the Wafdists, who are supposed to represent 90 per cent of the Egyptian population, have only a small majority, while the working class has no direct representation at all. This arrangement seems to have been brought about by the exercise of the influence of the British Residency and to be satisfactory from the point of view of Mr. Eden who may now be expected to initiate negotiations with the Egyptian delegation for the purpose of negotiating a new Anglo-Egyptian Treaty. The rejection of the Treaty of 1930 was due to the pressure brought by the working class upon the Wafdists Government. Now that the working class influence has been virtually extinct and the National Liberal influence of the Wafdists has been diminished, the prospects for negotiations of a Treaty entirely favourable to British Imperialism have been correspondingly increased. No doubt the military clauses in the 1930 Treaty would be retained while a stronger permanent British garrison in Egypt will be provided for with special emphasis on the importance of air arms.

Egypt's position, under the new arrangement, will resemble that of Iraq and already it appears that money is being found for the construction of strategic railway in Egypt from British resources. Such a military alliance, if concluded, can only intensify the international tension. It will be watched with suspicion by Italy and all the Balkan Powers, and especially by Turkey who anticipates a difficulty with Britain with regard to her desire to regain her power of fortifying the Dardanelles. The fact that the draft Treaty of 1930 with Egypt was initiated by a Labour Cabinet will now reduce the possible opposition to the conclusion of new Anglo-Egyptian Treaty to a minimum.

EDGAR WALLACE'S DETECTIVE STORY DAY BY DAY

Inspector Wade— *"The Black Abbot"*

WE FOUND A BLACK ABBOT'S COSTUME IN YOUR ROOM---- WHAT ABOUT IT?
THAT'S NEWS TO ME--- SOME ONE PLANTED IT THERE-- IT'S NOT MINE!
I'VE GOT SOME MORE NEWS--- MISS GWYN LEFT HER ROOM LATE LAST NIGHT---BY A LADDER--SHE'S DISAPPEARED!—
LESLIE DISAPPEARED!--- I'M A FOOL!-I MIGHT HAVE KNOWN THIS WOULD HAPPEN!
NOW WHAT DID HE MEAN BY THAT?
FIGURE THAT OUT AND YOU'LL SOLVE THE CASE, DONAVAN!
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